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How Arm is gaining chip dominance with its architecture in Apple, Nvidia, AMD, Amazon, Qualcomm and more

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Why Apple, Amazon and Qualcomm base their chips on Arm, helping it become the year's biggest IPO

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Behind the scenes of every chipmaker, there's a set of instructions that dictates how their products will function. Over the last three decades, <u>Arm</u> has become the dominant company making this chip architecture, and it powers nearly every smartphone today. <u>Apple</u> bases its











Arm's <u>blockbuster IPO</u> in September valued it above \$54 billion, thanks in part to the growing list of companies choosing Arm over <u>Intel</u> 's rival x86 architecture.

On Wednesday, it beat Wall Street expectations in its first post-IPO earnings report, with revenue up 28% on an annual basis during the quarter. Still, revenue guidance fell short of expectations, sending Arm shares down more than 7% in extended trading.

The UK-based company sells licenses for its chip architecture to companies that make central processing units, or CPUs. It also collects royalties on every chip shipped with its technology. Haas says that number topped 30 billion last year. Its customers are the biggest names in tech and chips, including Apple, Nvidia, <u>Google</u>, <u>Microsoft</u>, <u>Amazon</u>, <u>Samsung</u>, Intel and <u>Taiwan Semiconductor Manufacturing Company</u>.

"Most people think about a device. Then maybe if they're really sophisticated, they think about the chip, but they don't think about the company that came up with the original ideas behind how that chip operates," said Bob O'Donnell, president and chief analyst at TECHnalysis Research. "But once you do understand what they do, it's absolutely amazing the influence they have."

Arm enables chips to use less power than those made with x86. Lately, it's seen a big surge in adoption.

Arm is the basis for Apple's custom processors, which have <u>replaced Intel chips in Macs</u>. Amazon Web Services bases its custom server chips on Arm. Qualcomm's flagship Snapdragon chips are also Arm-based, and getting ready to make a <u>meaningful move into the PC market</u>.

But Arm has also faced plenty of risks in recent years. About 20% of its revenue comes from China, according to the company. Smartphones, which almost all contain Arm processors, are seeing a <u>major sales slump</u>. And when <u>Nvidia tried to buy Arm for \$40 billion</u>, the <u>deal was blocked</u> by regulators last year.

"That didn't go the way that everyone anticipated or hoped that it would. But the sun comes up the next day, right? And you have to be able to build from that," CEO Rene Haas told CNBC in an interview in October.



CNBC went to Arm's headquarters in Cambridge, England, to find out how it became the year's biggest IPO despite struggling smartphone sales and geopolitical uncertainty.

From smartphones to Al

Arm was founded in 1990 by 12 chip designers working out of a turkey barn in Cambridge. It was originally a joint venture between Apple, Acorn Computers, and VLSI, which is now part of NXP.

Arm's big break came in 1993, when Apple launched its early handheld Newton device on the Arm610 processor. Haas said this gets at the "hallmarks" of the company. "We were born running a device off a battery that was going to be low cost," he said.



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Arm Holdings

That same year, Arm struck a deal with Texas Instruments, putting its processors in early Nokia mobile phones and beginning Arm's climb to become the dominant smartphone architecture it is today. Arm went public for the first time in 1998. Chief architect Richard Grisenthwaite was there.



"We were about 100 people, and I've been very much involved in this tremendous transition that the company has gone through, expanding out from being targeting one particular market area into a wide range of different computing environments," Grisenthwaite said.

Indeed, Arm grew rapidly in the 2000s, with the first touchscreen phones introduced in 2007 and the growth of connected home devices in the 2010s.

Arm now has some 6,500 employees globally. Grisenthwaite said the majority of those employees are in the UK, and about a sixth are in the U.S., where Arm has offices in Arizona, California, North Carolina and Texas. It also has locations in Norway, Sweden, France and India.

In 2016, Arm once again became a private company when Japan's <u>SoftBank</u> acquired it for \$32 billion. Haas was president of the IP products group at the time, spearheading diversification into emerging markets, including AI.

"PC and phone, automotive, data center and IoT. Those are the primary markets that we address. Every single one of those markets has AI embedded in some way, shape or form," he said.

Arm has some 6,800 patents worldwide, with another 2,700 applications pending. Some of those are for Arm's <u>Neoverse</u> line for high-performance and cloud computing, which has helped it break into AI since its launch in 2018.

In August, Nvidia announced its latest Grace Hopper Superchip, which couples its own GPUs with Arm's Neoverse cores.

"By bringing those together and tightly coupling the way that Nvidia has with the Grace Hopper, they're able to come up with something that's something like 2 to 4 times the performance of what you'd get on an x86 system for a similar amount of power," Grisenthwaite explained.

Cash and competition

If you rewind just a couple years, Nvidia's interest in Arm went far beyond technology integration. Arm owner <u>Softbank needed cash</u> after losing money on high-profile investments in companies like <u>WeWork</u> and <u>Uber</u>. In 2020, SoftBank struck a deal with Nvidia to <u>sell Arm for \$40 billion</u>. Eighteen months later, the <u>deal fell apart</u>, blocked by regulators and some of Arm's biggest customers, which also compete with Nvidia.





Arm CEO Rene Haas talks with CNBC's Katie Tarasov in San Jose, California, on October 12, 2023. Katie Brigham

Arm made its second public debut this September, climbing nearly 25% that day.

The stock has fallen significantly since then.

One risk comes from a free, open-source rival architecture called RISC-V. It's seen a recent <u>surge</u> in <u>backing</u> from some of Arm's big customers like Google, Samsung and Qualcomm, which may have been seeking alternatives when it looked like Nvidia was going to buy Arm.

For now, RISC-V remains a low risk competitor according to Futurum Group CEO Daniel Newman.

"RISC-V sits a few years behind where Arm is at, and I don't think we're going to hear a lot about it right away. I do think in low power, in IoT, in simpler designs, that RISC-V does have some traction," Newman said.

Arm's bigger competition comes from x86. Developed by Intel in the 70s, x86 is the dominant architecture used for PC processors, with a massive amount of software developed for it.



"The amount of software support is the thing that actually tends to determine the success or failure of that in the long run. Intel was very good early on with getting a ton of software support for x86," O'Donnell explained.

Most servers have also traditionally been based on x86, but O'Donnell said that could shift.

"What's happened in the server market is that the software has been componentized. It's broken up into containers and things like that, and that makes it easier to run on other architectures like Arm," he said.

Amazon Web Services is a big player making Arm-based server chips. AWS launched its Graviton chips to rival x86 CPUs from AMD and Intel in 2018.

"And really from there, Arm went from this mobile, low power IoT, automotive specialty embedded to holy cow, we can build next generation servers, PCs, and of course continue on this massive run of silicon for smartphones, all based on Arm," Newman said.

'If Apple can do it, can others?'

Apple is the big partner helping Arm break into the laptop market.

Apple moved to its own Arm-based processors in Mac computers in 2020, breaking away from the Intel x86 processors that had <u>powered them for 15 years</u>.

In October, Apple announced its latest line of M3 processors and the MacBooks and iMacs running on them. Apple said Arm-based M3 gives the newest MacBook up to <u>22 hours of battery</u> life.

"Nobody really believed, until Apple went all in and basically cut ties with x86 instruction sets and said, 'We are going to bet the future of the Mac on Arm.' And that was a huge inflection for the company. It was a change of the guard. And this isn't to say that Intel's future is in big trouble, but it certainly started to raise some question marks as to, well, if Apple can do it, can others?" Newman said.

In September, Apple extended its deal with Arm through at least 2040.

<u>Qualcomm</u> is another major customer making its latest PC processors using Arm, although that relationship is strained. Arm is <u>suing Qualcomm</u> over the right to make certain chips with its



"Nuvia was actually supposed to be designing a server chip initially, so they had different terms with them. And so Qualcomm thought they could have the same terms. Arm felt no, different companies have different terms. And it's boiled down to essentially that: legal discussions around what those terms ought to be," O'Donnell explained.

The case is set to go to trial in 2024.

Arm is also growing in the automotive space. Although its chips have long been in cars, it's now a rapid growth area with the rise of self-driving capabilities and partnerships with companies like Cruise.

Arm's Grisenthwaite calls self-driving "one of the most computationally intensive tasks we've ever seen on this planet."

"What we need to provide is a standard platform to allow the world's software developers to really concentrate on this incredibly hard task going forward," he said.

This simplification is also making Arm the choice for non-chip companies like Apple, Amazon, Google and Microsoft designing their own custom silicon.

"They've got a smaller team than entire companies built on that. And so you have to make that process easier and simpler. And that, for example, is where Arm is starting to move in terms of enabling the design of multiple components that connect together," O'Donnell said.





Arm Holdings headquarters in Cambridge, England, on October 3, 2023.

Max Thurlow

'China is a good market for us'

Although more companies are making inroads into semiconductor design, the recent chip shortage exposed major concern over the fact that more than 90% of the world's chips are manufactured in Asia.

Now China and the U.S. are going back and forth imposing <u>export controls on chip technologies</u>. For now, Arm says it's seen minimal impact from the export controls.

"What we do is obviously comply with all kinds of export regulations whenever they come out. Of course we comply. China is a good market for us: about 20% of our business. It's shifted over the years. It used to be largely mobile phone based. Now it's mostly around the data center and automotive," Haas said.

In 2018, SoftBank broke off Arm's China business into an independent entity, Arm China, that's majority owned by a group of Chinese investors.

Haas explained further, "It's essentially to allow us to not only grow our business in China, which is our essentially base core business. We set up a distributor arm, but at the same time, we also



Arm China has also been embroiled in controversy, with SoftBank and Arm trying to oust the CEO of the China business, Allen Wu. Despite being fired, Wu refused to leave for years.

"It's been very ugly and kind of messy and confusing," O'Donnell said.

Now, several former Arm China employees are <u>starting a new internal chip design company in China</u> with backing from Shenzhen's government. Arm's stock <u>slid more than 5%</u> on the news, but O'Donnell said it's not an immediate risk.

"A lot of Chinese companies have long standing relationships with Arm, so the expectation is they're going to want to work there because they have that huge base of software. If somebody creates a new architecture, they have to build the software, and that takes years and years and years," he said.

Arm also faces some risk from the major slump in smartphone sales.

"We're not as impacted as folks might think because one of the trends we've seen, particularly in smartphones, is more and more Arm processors that go into those phones," Haas said. "So for us, we've actually seen an increase in royalty per phone.

Labor is another challenge across the industry. The world's chip leader, TSMC, is <u>blaming a shortage of skilled workers for delays</u> at its \$40 billion fab under construction in Arizona.

"It's hard for our whole industry because there's no way that demand for semiconductors in the next 10 to 15 years will abate. It's only going to increase. So it's a pretty fierce talent war," Haas said.

Correction: An earlier version of this story incorrectly described the AVA developer platform.

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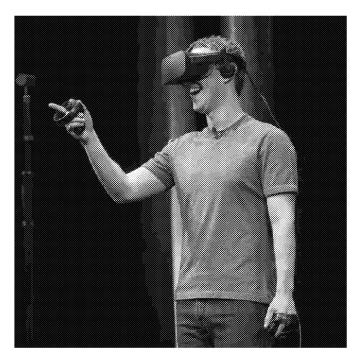
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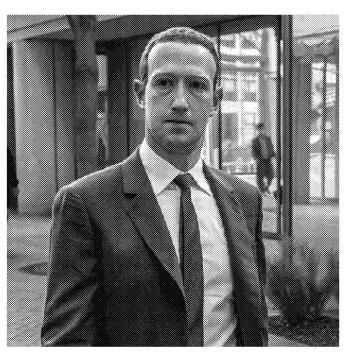
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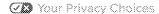
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2 architectures.	2 of licensees ARM has?
3 Q How many customers,	3 A No. It would be less.
4 approximately, do you think Intel has?	4 Q Significantly less; right?
5 A For its licensing business?	5 MS. POHL: Object to form.
6 Q Yes.	6 A Depends what you mean by
7 A For the license for its	7 significant.
8 instruction set architectures.	8 Q You're unable to say if it's
9 MS. POHL: Object to form.	9 significantly less, sitting here today,
10 A My understanding is one.	10 as the head of licensing?
11 Q What about RISC-V? Does	MS. POHL: Object to form.
12 that have a licensing program?	12 A Yeah.
13 A So RISC-V is an open source. 14 It's licensable.	13 Q What about Toshiba? Does 14 Toshiba have close to the same number of
15 Q It's an open source	15 licensees as ARM? 16 A No.
16 instruction set architecture; right? 17 A Yeah.	
	17 Q And what about RH? Do they 18 have close to the same number of
18 Q That means there's no 19 license required to use it to	19 licensees as ARM?
20 commercialize products?	20 A No.
21 A It depends how you get	21 Q Does any instruction set
22 through it. If you take an open source	22 architecture have close to the same
23 implementation or if you go through	23 number of licensees as ARM?
24 commercial companies, then they will have	24 MS. POHL: Object to form.
25 commercial terms.	25 A No.
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2 Q What about Tensilica? Do	2 Q Has ARM analyzed RISC-V as a
3 you know how many licensees they have?	3 competitor?
4 A No.	4 MS. POHL: Object to form.
5 Q Is it fewer than ARM?	5 A So I don't have any personal
6 MS. POHL: Object to form.	6 knowledge of that. I've never performed
7 A I would be guessing.	7 an analysis of RISC-V, competitive
8 Q You're not sure today?	8 nature.
9 A I would be guessing. And my	9 Q Have you ever seen any
10 guess would be lower.	10 analysis of the competition from RISC-V?
11 Q How much lower?	11 A So I've seen kind of we know
12 A Oh, I don't know.	12 that a customer has potentially used that
13 Q You have no idea?	13 product. Why they chose it, what the
14 A No.	14 benefits were, I don't know.
15 Q What about ARC? Do you have	15 Q Do any of ARM's licensees
16 any idea how many fewer licensees ARC has	16 have products that use RISC-V?
17 than ARM?	17 A I'm sorry. I didn't
18 A Not specifically.	18 quite
19 Q Do you think it might be	19 Q I'll ask a different
20 close to the number of licensees ARM has?	20 question.
21 MS. POHL: Object to form.	Do any of ARM's licensees
22 A No. I don't think it is	22 have commercialized products on the
23 close, no. I think it would be less.	23 market that use RISC-V?
24 Q And for Tensilica, do you	24 A Do any of ARM's?
25 think it's possibly close to the number	25 Q Do any of ARM's licensees
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ARM HOLDINGS PLC., f/k/a)	
ARM LTD., a U.K. corporation,)	
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- 1 A. Yes.
- Q. Is the best power usage low power usage?
- 3
- 4 Q. Is the best performance high performance?
- 5 A. Yes.
- 6 Q. What was your next position at Qualcomm
- 7 after being a senior staff engineer?
- 8 A. Principal engineer.
- 9 Q. That's your current job title; correct?
- 10
- 11 Q. No. What were your responsibilities as a
- 12 principal engineer?
- A. I was still responsible of the CPU
- 14 implementation and PPA and also at managing
- 15 responsibility.
- 16 Q. Who did you manage?
- 17 A. A team of a few people.
- 18 Q. Approximately how many people did you
- 19 manage?
- 20 A. Started probably with two, three, and
- 21 probably up to five to ten at some point.
- 22 Q. Did you have any other responsibilities as
- 23 a principal engineer at Qualcomm?
- A. No. It was about CPU implementation and
- 25 PPA.

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- 1 Qualcomm, did you work on any implementations that
- did not use Arm architecture?
- A. No. Well, no. Yeah.
- Q. As senior director of engineering, have you
- worked on CPU implementations that use Arm
- architecture?
- A. Yes.
- Q. As senior director of engineering, have you
- 9 worked on CPU implementations that do not use Arm
- 10 architecture?
- 11 A. Yes, I do.
- 12 Q. What other architectures have you worked on
- at Qualcomm as a senior director of engineering?
- A. We evaluated CPU based on RISC-V 14
- 15 architecture.
- 16 Q. What does it mean to evaluate CPUs based on
- 17 RISC-V architecture?
- 18 A. That we are getting an evaluation RTL and
- 19 we were looking at understanding the power,
- 20 performance, and area aspect of that specific
- 21 design.
- 22 Q. Is RISC-V's architecture a competing
- 23 architecture to Arm's architecture?
- 24 A. This is an alternative architecture. We
- 25 don't say it competes with Arm today.

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- Q. How long were you a principal engineer at
- 2 Qualcomm for?
- A. I would say four or five years.
- Q. What was your next role at Qualcomm after 4
- being the principal engineer?
- A. Senior director of engineering, of
- technology. It changed after, but yeah.
- Q. This is your current position; correct?
- 9 A. Correct.
- 10 Q. What are your job responsibilities as
- 11 senior director of engineer? I'm sorry. I
- 12 misspoke. Let me ask that again.
- 13 What are your job responsibilities as
- 14 senior director of engineering?
- 15 A. I'm responsible of CPU implementation and
- 16 PPA. So I'm responsible of the implementation of
- one design every year and also with a team, which I
- have in -- I mean, in San Diego. I'm also
- 19 responsible of the PPA of all the Qualcomm CPU
- 20 products.
- 21 Q. When you were a principal engineer, did you
- work on any implementations that used Arm
- 23 architecture?
- 2.4 A. Yes.
- 25 Q. When you were a principal engineer at

- Q. I'm not asking for your evaluation of the
- level of competition. I just want to know, do you
- consider RISC-V's architecture to compete with Arm's
- architecture?
- 5 A. No.
- O. Why not?
- A. It doesn't have the ecosystem and all the
- acceptance in the industry.
- 9 Q. Does the RISC-V architecture have the
- 10 promise of competing with Arm's architecture in the
- 11
- 12 A. I'm not familiar with the required goal
- 13 eventually to comment on that.
- O. Do you think it's possible that the RISC-V
- architecture could be a competitive threat to Arm's 15
- 16 architecture in the future?
- 17 MR. BRALY: Objection.
- THE WITNESS: I don't know. 18
- 19 BY MR. JANES:
- 20 Q. Have you evaluated any other architectures
- 21 besides RISC-V and Arm?
- 22 A. No, I didn't.
- 23 Q. Has your work at Qualcomm involved CPUs
- 24 designed for the mobile space?
 - A. Well, it involves some part of the CPU

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- 1 design because I'm working on the implementation.
- 2 So we already start with an existing RTL, and we do
- 3 the physical implementation.
- Q. Does your work with physical implementation
- involve CPUs that are meant for the mobile space?
- A. Yes.
- 7 Q. Does your work at Qualcomm involve CPUs
- 8 that are meant for the server space?
- 9 A. I've been asked to work on some of the
- 10 server aspect recently.
- 11 Q. Who asked you to work on some of the server
- 12 aspects of Qualcomm's business?
- A. My manager.
- Q. Who is your manager? 14
- 15 A. Raghava.
- 16 Q. Can you spell that, please.
- 17 A. R-a-g-h-a-v-a, and his last name is
- 18 Denduluri, D-e-n-d-u-l-u-r-i.
- 19 Q. What specifically are you doing in the
- 20 server space for Qualcomm?
- 21 A. I was putting together some power
- performance curves. 22
- 23 Q. What is a power performance curve?
- A. It's a curve which shows two axis. So on
- 25 this one we add on the X, the frequency, and the Y,

- Page 20
- A. Yes. PPA analysis and definition of the
- 2 product.
- 3 Q. Are you familiar with NUVIA?
- A. Yes. NUVIA is a company acquired by
- Qualcomm a few years ago.
- Q. Is NUVIA a separate division within
- Qualcomm?

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- A. No. NUVIA has been integrated as a
- Qualcomm CPU division.
 - Q. Are there Qualcomm employees who are
- 11 considered to be NUVIA employees?
 - A. No. They are all Qualcomm employees.
- 13 Q. Is there a NUVIA team within Qualcomm?
- 14 A. No.



- Q. What do you mean by "custom CPU"?
- 22 A. It's a CPU designed within Qualcomm to be
- 23 compared with third-party CPU, which we license.
- 24 Q. Have you ever heard of the term Arm
- 25 implementation core?

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- 1 we add the power consumption.
- Q. Does your work at Qualcomm involve CPUs
- 3 that are intended for the Total Compute space?
- A. What do you mean by "Total Compute"?
- 5 Q. Does Qualcomm have a term for CPUs designed
- for laptops or computers?
- 7 A. Yes.
- 8 Q. What is that term?
- 9 A. It's compute.
- 10 Q. Compute. Does your work at Qualcomm
- 11 involve CPUs that are meant for the compute space?
- 12
- 13 Q. Does your work for Qualcomm involve CPUs
- 14 that are meant for the wearable market --
- 15 A. Yes.
- 16 Q. -- like smart watches?
- 17 Does your work at Qualcomm that involves
- 18 the compute space consist of you performing a PPA
- 19 analysis for those CPUs?
- 20 A. Yes.
- 21 Q. Do you do anything else in the compute
- 23 A. It's mostly PPA analysis.
- 24 Q. What about for wearables, is your work
- 25 mostly limited to performing a PPA analysis of CPUs?

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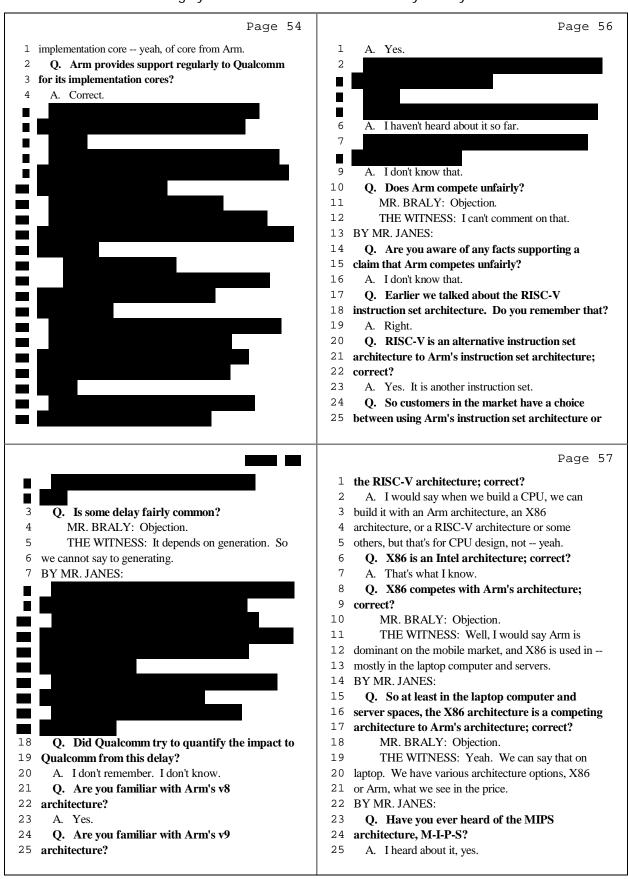
- Q. Is an Arm implementation core an example of
- the third-party CPU that Qualcomm licenses?

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- Q. Are Arm implementation cores sometimes
- called off-the-shelf cores? A. I'm not sure.

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- 1 Q. MIPS is a competing architecture to Arm's 2 architecture: correct?
- 3 A. I don't know because I can't name any
- 4 product using MIPS today.
- Q. MIPS is an alternative to Arm's
- 6 architecture?
- 7 A. I'm not sure we can say it's an
- 8 alternative. It is another architecture, but I
- 9 don't think we can use it as a product, on-site
- 10 product today.
- 11 Q. Have you ever heard of the SPARC
- 12 architecture, S-P-A-R-C?
- 13 A. Yes.
- Q. SPARC is an alternative to Arm's
- 15 architecture; correct?
- 16 A. No. We cannot use SPARC in mobile.
- Q. SPARC is an architecture that can be used
- 18 in other spaces besides mobile; correct?
- 19 A. Yeah. I used to work on a SPARC computer
- 20 20 years ago.
- Q. So at least in the computer space, the
- 22 SPARC architecture competes with the Arm
- 23 architecture; correct?
- 24 MR. BRALY: Objection.
- THE WITNESS: I would say it used to be

Q. What other companies sell silicon chips?

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- 2 A. Multiple, multiple companies like Intel,
- 3 Nvidia, Broadcom, and many others.
- 4 Q. There are many companies that sell silicon
- 5 chips?
- 6 A. Yes.
- 7 Q. Is the silicon chip market competitive?
 - MR. BRALY: Objection.
- 9 THE WITNESS: Be like every market, I would
- 10 say. It's vague.
- 11 BY MR. JANES:
- 12 Q. There are silicon chips on the market that
- 13 use the RISC-V architecture; correct?
- 14 A. That's a good question. I don't know.
- 15 Q. You don't know whether Qualcomm sells
- silicon chips that use the RISC-V architecture?
- 17 A. We do use RISC-V architecture for
- 18 microcontrollers.
- 19 Q. So Qualcomm sells chips that use RISC-V
- 20 architecture?
- 21 MR. BRALY: Objection.
- 22 THE WITNESS: On microcontrollers.
- 23 BY MR. JANES:
- 24 Q. Qualcomm sells chips that use RISC-V
- 25 architecture on microcontrollers; correct?

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- 1 20 years ago. I don't know about today.
- 2 BY MR. JANES:
- 3 Q. Have you ever heard of power ISA?
- 4 A. No. That doesn't ring a bell.
- 5 Q. Arm provides implementation cores to
- 6 customers; correct?
- 7 A. Correct.
- 8 Q. There are other companies besides Arm that
- 9 sell implementation cores; right?
- 10 A. There are company, but I don't know of any
- 11 with Arm architecture.
- 12 Q. There are other companies besides Arm that
- 13 provide CPU designs; correct?
- 14 A. Yes, but with other architectures than Arm.
- Q. Arm licenses its architectures to companies
- 16 like Qualcomm so that they can develop their own CPU
- 17 designs; correct?
- 18 A. Yes.
- 19 Q. Do you know whether Intel licenses its X86
- 20 architecture to companies like Qualcomm so that they
- 21 can design their own X86 CPU designs?
- 22 A. I don't know that, no. I haven't looked
- 23 into that.
- 24 Q. Qualcomm sells silicon chips; correct?
- 25 A. Correct.

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- 2 Q. Are you familiar -- let me ask that again.
- 3 Are you familiar with a company called
- 4 SiFive?

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- 5 A. Yes.
- 6 Q. SiFive sells chips that use the RISC-V
- 7 architecture; right?
- 8 A. Yes.
- 9 **Q.** I'm going to --
- 10 A. Oh, I mean, no. They license CPU, which
- 11 use RISC-V architecture. They are not selling
- 12 chips.
- 13 Q. SiFive licenses CPU designs that use RISC-V
- 14 architecture; correct?
- 15 A. Yes.
- 16 MR. JANES: I'm going to mark Exhibit
- 17 Number 2. This is a document produced at the Bates
- 18 number QCVARM_044728.
- 19 (Vidon Exhibit 2 marked for identification.)
- 20 BY MR. JANES:
- Q. Mr. Vidon, do you have Exhibit 2 in front
- 22 **of vou?**
- 23 A. Yes.
- 24 Q. Exhibit 2 is an email chain that you were
- 25 included on; correct?

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IN THE UNITED STATES DI	STRICT COURT
FOR THE DISTRICT OF	DELAWARE
QUALCOMM INCORPORATED,)
a Delaware corporation; and)
QUALCOMM TECHNOLOGIES, INC.,)
a Delaware corporation,)
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Plaintiffs,)
) C.A. No.
VS.) 24-490 (MN)
)
ARM HOLDINGS PLC., f/k/a)
ARM LTD., a U.K. corporation,)
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Defendant.)
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1 assume you're not meaning to ask about that. 2 MR. WILCOX: I'm not. And I'll ask the 3 question again so that hopefully it's clear. 4 MS. DUNN: Okay. BY MR. WILCOX: 5

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- Q. What conduct by Arm does Qualcomm believe
- represents an unfair business practice?
- MS. DUNN: This is probably going to be
- representative of how our day goes, but obviously
- Ms. Chaplin's a lawyer for the company, and I think
- your question goes to her view as a lawyer. So just
- to be helpful to you, if there is some topic you're
- asking her about where she's been designated as a
- corporate representative, you can show that to her.
- But I think broad questions like that are going to
- draw privilege objections.
- 12 BY MR. WILCOX:
- 13 Q. Would you please turn in Chaplin Exhibit 1
- 14 to page 15?
- 15 A. I'm there.
- 16 Q. Do you see topic 73 on page 15?
- 17 A. I do.
- 18 Q. That topic is "The harm to Qualcomm, if
- 19 any, associated with any of Arm's conduct or actions
- 20 that you allege constitute unlawful and unfair
- 21 business acts or practices prohibited by the UCL."
- 22 Do you see that?
 - A. I see it.

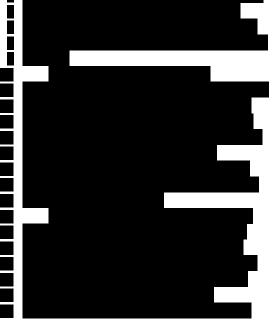
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- 24 Q. As Qualcomm's corporate representative on
- 25 topic 73, what is your understanding of the conduct

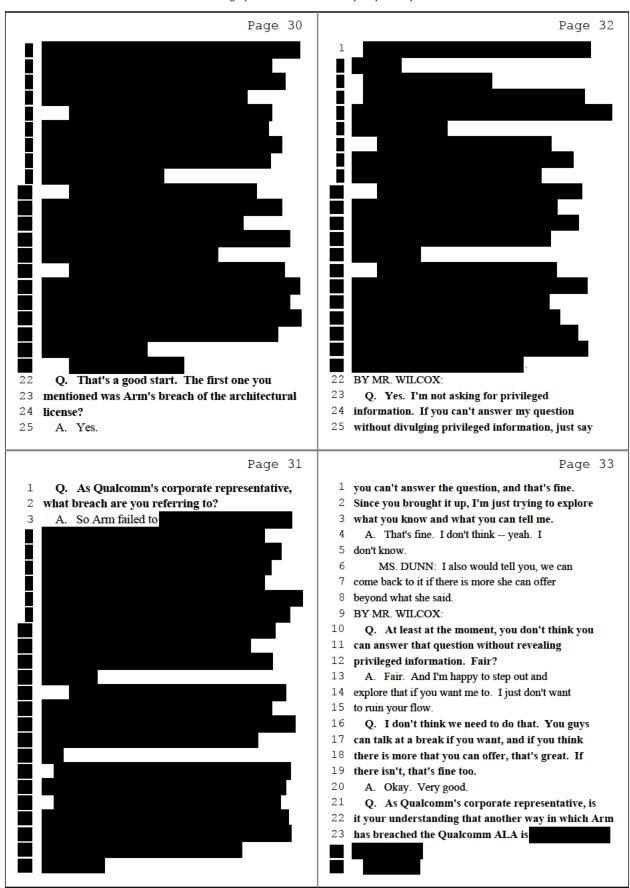
10 Q. Do you know whether those unrelated matters 11

- concerned Arm?
- 12
 - A. I don't believe so. I believe she was
- 13 telling me that she -- right, just as a
- communication person at Qualcomm has other 14
- 15 conversations with media.
- Q. Setting aside any privileged conversations 16
- you may have had, you're not aware of any
- conversations that Qualcomm has had with
- 19 related to the ongoing litigation between Arm and 20 Qualcomm?
- 21 A. Not to my knowledge.
- O. Other than
- 23 didn't talk to anyone else to prepare for your
- 24 30(b)(6) deposition today?
- 25 A. No.

1 by Arm that Qualcomm believes constitutes unlawful and unfair business acts or practices? A. Sure. So there is obviously a number of them.



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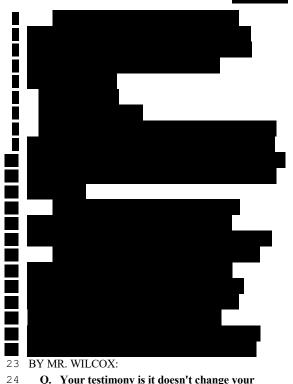
- 1 ask the company's GC to analyze if this and if that.
- Because I think that requires her to think like a
- 3 lawyer about things that are not facts within the
- 4 topics.
- 5 So that's my -- I'm going to explain the
- instruction, but I'm going to instruct the witness
- 7 not to answer.
- 8 BY MR. WILCOX:
- 9 Q. Are you going to follow your counsel's 10 instruction?
- 11 A. I am.
- 12 MR. WILCOX: So I think that -- I'm not
- going to make a big deal out of that right now as 13
- long as you're telling me that she's not going to
- take the stand at trial and answer questions that
- 16 are trying to unravel these hypotheticals if you ask
- 17 them.
- 18 MS. DUNN: So, I mean, I think we'd have to
- 19 have a longer conversation about what's permissible
- 20 at trial. I do think saying to a lawyer, you know,
- 21 if this were the case, what would you think, calls
- for her to do some sort of legal analysis, because
- 23 you're basically asking would it change your view of
- 24 your legal claim.
- 25 So I don't -- you know, I think it is

- With respect to the questions about
- 5 commercial reasonableness, we have the -- Qualcomm
- has designated other 30(b)(6) testimony that is not
- Ms. Chaplin. So we're going to let that person who
- handled that 30(b)(6) testimony have handled that.
- She should not have to handle that. It's beyond the
- 10 scope of her topics.
- 11 All right. That's all I have.
- 12 MR. WILCOX: I'm not sure we 100 percent
- 13 agree on that, but that's something we can sort out 14 later
- 15 MS. DUNN: We can sort that out later.
- 16 BY MR. WILCOX:



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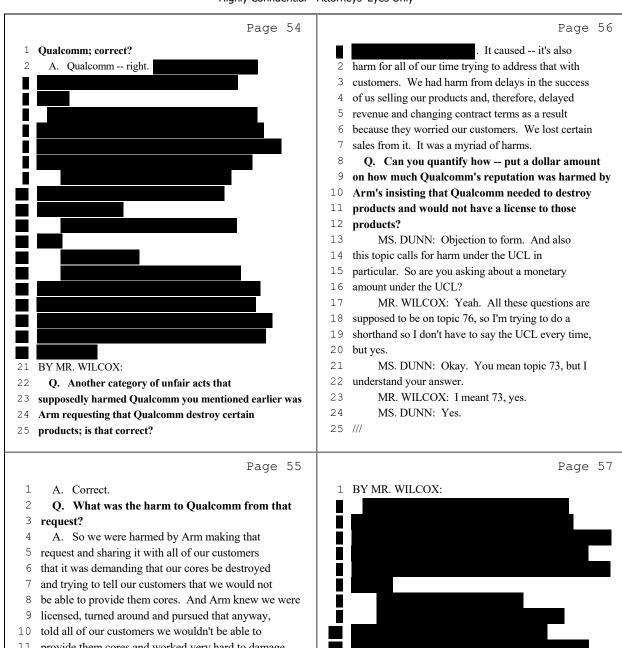
- 1 premature to discuss what Ms. Chaplin will or will
- 2 not do at trial if she is called by a witness from
- either party, but we'll have this transcript to look
- 4 at and assess what is acceptable for both sides.
- I also think given that now I've done a lot 5 of talking, maybe we could take a break, given that 6
- 7 we're almost at an hour, I think.
- 8 MR. WILCOX: That's totally fine. We can
- take a break. 9
- 10 MS. DUNN: Okay. Great.
- THE VIDEOGRAPHER: We're off the record at 11
- 12 10:02 a.m.
- 13 (Recess, 10:02 a.m. to 10:17 a.m.)
- THE VIDEOGRAPHER: This marks the beginning 14
- 15 of media number 2. We're on the record at
- 10:17 a.m. 16
- 17 MS. DUNN: So during the break I let
- Mr. Wilcox know that I had a couple things to put on 18
- 19 the record
- 20 So first of all, I want to be completely
- 21 clear that topic 73 is about the harm to Qualcomm,
- and that is what Ms. Chaplin's testimony discusses.
- And so in that respect, we are going to let her go
- 24 ahead and answer counsel's question about

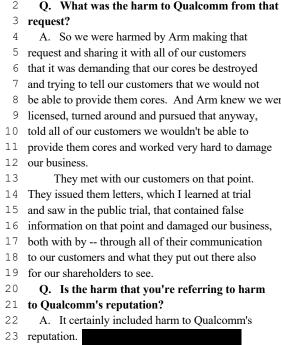


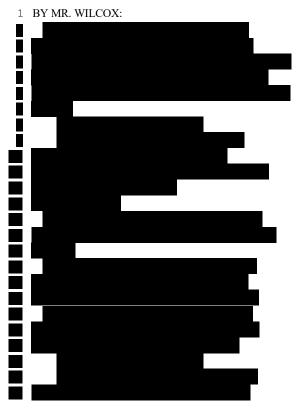
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position on whether that would or would not harm

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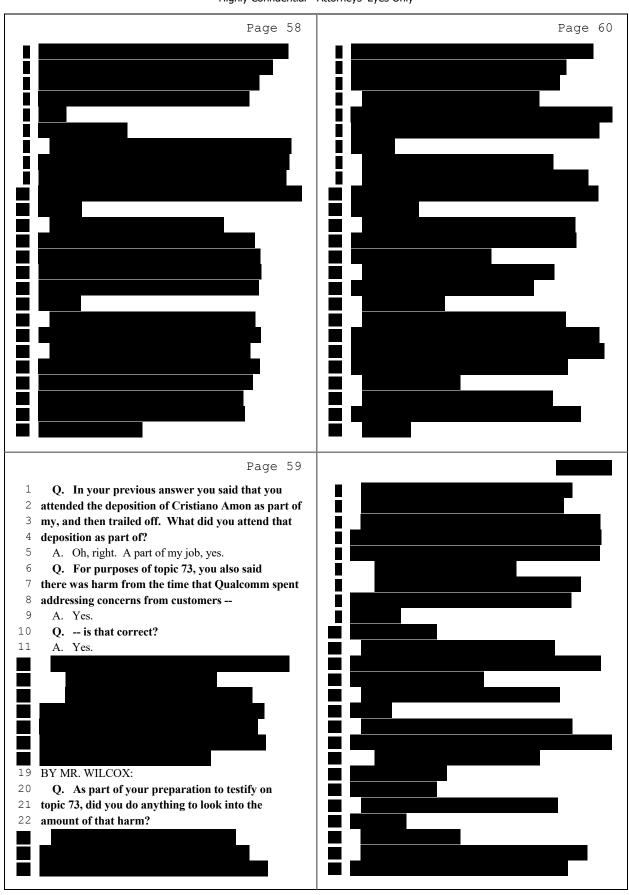




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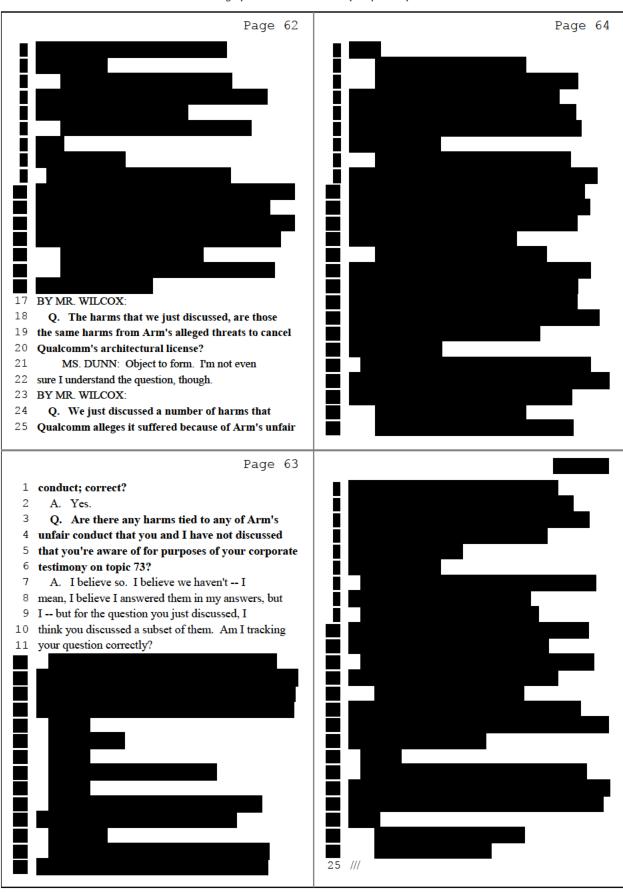
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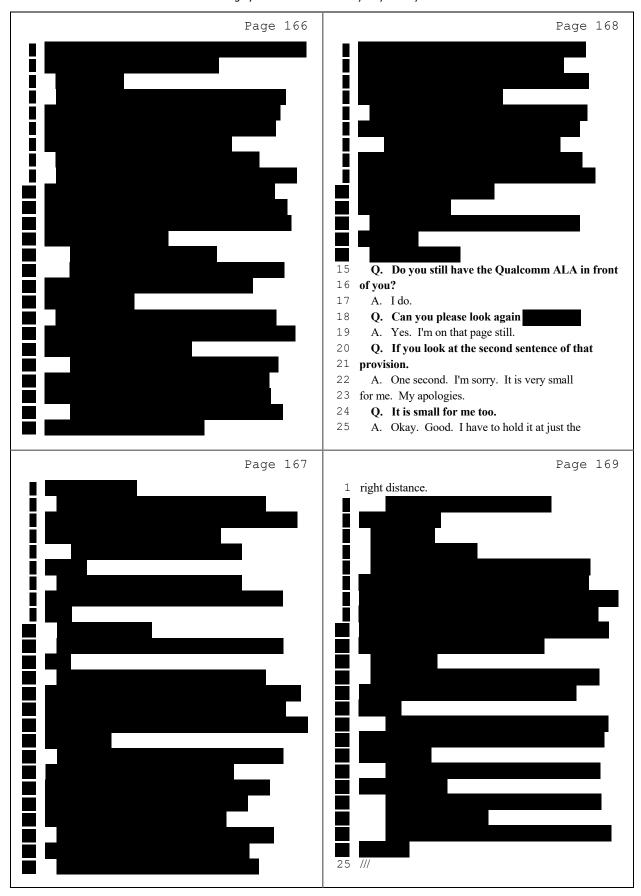
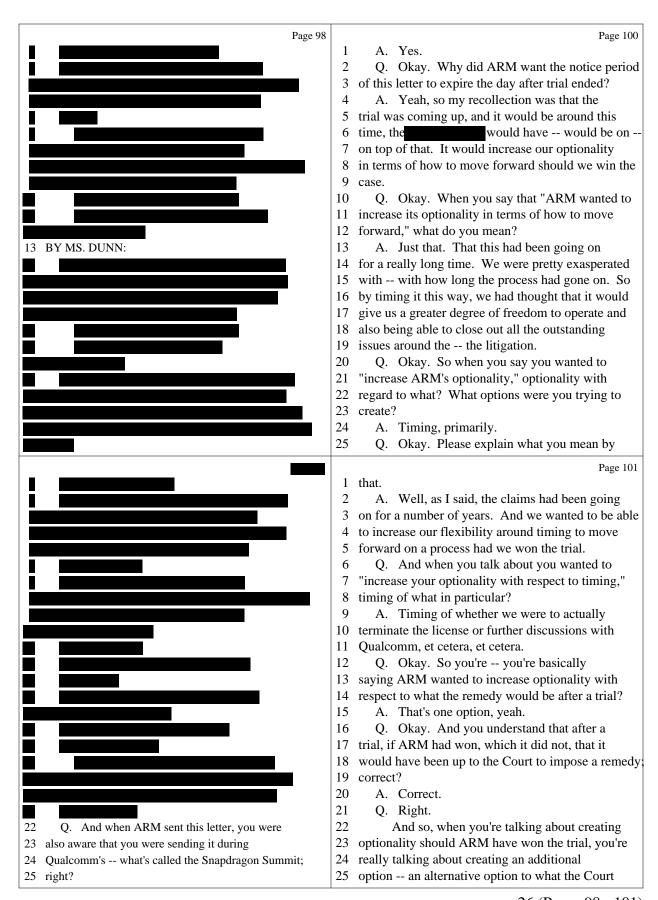


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      TECHNOLOGIES, INC., a Delaware
      corporation,
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                Plaintiffs,
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                                        ) C.A. No. 24-490 (MN)
                vs.
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      ARM HOLDINGS PLC, f/k/a ARM
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      LTD., a U.K. corporation,
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                Defendant.
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1	would do?	1	Q. Okay. Okay. And what do you think would
2	MR. LoCASCIO: Object to form.	2	have happened if if ARM had had won the case
3	THE WITNESS: No. We were really just,	3	and had terminated the Qualcomm ALA, what would have
4	again, trying to create optionality around timing.	4	happened to the remedy imposed by the Court?
5	This had gone on a long, long time.	5	A. Well, the let
6	BY MS. DUNN:	6	MR. LoCASCIO: Object to form.
7	Q. Okay. But, sir, what do you what do	7	THE WITNESS: Yeah, well well, the
8	you then mean with respect to optionality of the	8	letter says we were en we are entitled to. The
9	timing? What normally happens, as you know, is if	9	letter doesn't say we're going to.
10	you win a trial, then the Court im imposes a	10	BY MS. DUNN:
11	remedy. And you know here that ARM had asked for an	11	Q. Okay. But but what you're saying is
12	injunction. So it would have been up to the Court	12	that in case you won, you wanted to have optionality
13	to impose an injunction. So when you're talking	13	with respect to the impact of the case. So in
14	about optionality with respect to timing, timing of	14	under that theory, if the case had ended and you had
15	what exactly?	15	won and then you terminated the Qualcomm ALA, what
16	MR. LoCASCIO: Object to form.	16	would have happened with respect to the remedy in
17	THE WITNESS: So, again, the litigation	17	that the Court would impose?
18	and dispute had been going on for a long, long time,	18	MR. LoCASCIO: Object to form.
19	and the market wanted to see some level of closure.	19	THE WITNESS: Yeah, so so, again, the
20	So our thinking at that time to terms of why we	20	optionality we were trying to create was around
21	timed it that way was to increase the optionality or	21	timing, not linked to remedy. Just time timing.
22	potential of achieving closure sooner rather than	22	And the letter says we were entitled to cancel or
23	later.	23	or terminate, not that we would terminate. So,
24	BY MS. DUNN:	24	again, it just goes back to giving ourselves time
25	Q. Okay. And when you say "sooner rather	25	timing optionality depending on what the verdict
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1	than later," what you mean is, it would have taken	1	was.
2	the Court some time to issue an injunction, and you	2	BY MS. DUNN:
3	wanted to get ahead of that?	3	Q. Okay. And when you say "timing
4	MR. LoCASCIO: Object to form.	4	optionality," the timing of what, the timing of
5	THE WITNESS: No. It had nothing to do	5	termination of the Qualcomm ALA? What are you
6	with with the the injunction. It's more about	6	talking about?
7	trying to get some level of closure around a very	7	A. Yeah, the the you you had asked
8	long process.	8	the question regarding the . And
9	BY MS. DUNN:	10	. And had the trial on some of the verdicts been ruled and
10	Q. Okay. And why did you believe that terminating the Qualcomm ALA would have been an	11	judgment in our in our favor, then we would have
11 12	appropriate remedy after a trial where ARM had		had a greater degree of flexibility and optionality
13	brought claims about the NUVIA ALA?	13	about what to do next.
14	A. Well, in our mind, they were quite linked	14	Q. Right.
15	because Qualcomm was using NUVIA designs. And by	15	And let's say you hadn't sent this letter,
16	using designs created by a third party, Qualcomm was	16	but you had won the trial, then what would have been
	in breach.	17	the option after that?
18	Q. Okay. And and you understand the jury	18	A. Say that
19	found otherwise under the Qualcomm ALA, we went over	19	MR. LoCASCIO: Object to form.
20	that; right?	20	THE WITNESS: I'm sorry. Say it one more
21	MR. LoCASCIO: Object to form.	21	time.
22	THE WITNESS: Well, the process didn't	22	BY MS. DUNN:
23	really end up in a [verbatim] area where we would	23	Q. So if let's say that ARM had let's
24	have any judgment on anything.	24	say ARM had not sent this letter but had won at
25	BY MS. DUNN:	25	trial, what what, in your view, would have

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Page 106 Page 108 1 happened then? Q. Right. 2 MR. LoCASCIO: Object to form. 2 And so, here you're creating an option for 3 THE WITNESS: I don't know. I mean, 3 ARM to impose a remedy? A. Correct. 4 you're -- you're asking me to speculate. 4 5 BY MS. DUNN: 5 Q. Okay. All right. Q. Well, I -- what I'm really asking you is, 6 Now, you know that your counsel conveyed 7 is you're saying we did this to create optionality. 7 to the Court that when ARM sent this letter, the 8 I'm asking, like, the op- -- optionality as opposed hope was it would result in the parties talking; 9 to what? So you gave yourselves the ability to you've heard that? 10 terminate that day after trial. Let's say you had 10 A. I can't recall specifically if I've heard 11 not sent the letter. What would -- what would ARM 11 that. 12 have viewed its options to be then? 12 Q. Okay. Nobody told you that Mr. Olson told the Court that that was the purpose of the letter? 13 MR. LoCASCIO: Object to form. 13 THE WITNESS: I'm sorry. That's a -- a MR. LoCASCIO: Object to form. 14 14 15 big complex question there. Can you break it down 15 THE WITNESS: I -- I don't recall. 16 again? 16 BY MS. DUNN: 17 BY MS. DUNN: 17 Q. Okay. Do you agree that one of the purposes of sending this notice letter was to move 18 O. Yeah. 19 What -- what was the option -- what was 19 the parties to start talking about settlement in 20 the existing option that you were crying -- trying 20 advance of the trial? 21 to create more optionality with respect to? 21 A. I'm sorry. Say that question again. A. What we were trying to do with this 22 Q. Do you agree that one of the purposes of 22 23 letter -- oops -- we were -- should we have won, 23 sending this notice letter was to move the parties 24 then we would be entitled to terminate the license, 24 to start talking about settlement in advance of the 25 had we received the judgment at trial, which would 25 trial? Page 107 Page 109 1 have given us, again, from a timing standpoint, more 1 A. I think I would characterize it this way: 2 flexibility rather than waiting a lot -- waiting 2 Every letter that we sent we were hoping would 3 resolve in a settlement prior to trial. 3 longer. Q. Okay. But you understand that if ARM had 4 4 Q. Okay. And when you sent this letter, were 5 acted on its own to impose a remedy, that that would 5 you hoping that it would result in a settlement 6 have been an alternative to something the Court prior to trial? 7 would have done? A. We were hoping -- I think, again, that 8 MR. LoCASCIO: Object to form. when we sent the letters that it would bring two 9 THE WITNESS: Again, this letter was timed sides to the table to get to a settlement. 10 in such a way that had we received the judgment in 10 Q. Okay. Focus on my question: When you 11 our favor, we would have had a greater degree of 11 sent this letter, were you hoping that it would 12 flexibility and optionality sooner rather than 12 result in a settlement prior to trial? 13 later. 13 A. I would say yes. 14 14 BY MS. DUNN: Q. Okay. All right. 15 Q. Right. 15 MS. DUNN: Okay. Can we mark Haas 3. 16 But you understand that the party that 16 (Haas Deposition Exhibit 3 was marked for 17 normally imposes a remedy after a trial is the 17 identification.) 18 BY MS. DUNN: 18 Court, not ARM; right? 19 A. The party -- say that again, I'm sorry. 19 Q. Okay. All right. 20 20 So, Mr. Haas, you have in front of you an e-mail from Kenneth Siegel to you and to Spencer 21 The entity that imposes a remedy after a 21 22 trial is the Court --22 Collins on October 23rd, 2024th [sic], and you'll 23 A. Yes. 23 see it's a forward of an October 22nd, 2024, article by Ian King of Bloomberg News. 24 Q. -- you understand that; right? 24 25 A. Yes. Do you see that?

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1	Page 110 A. Yes.	1	Page 112
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2	Q. And the article is entitled "Arm to Cancel	2	A. Double check here.
3	Qualcomm Chip Design License in Escalation of Feud."	3	Yes.
4	Do you see that?	4	Q. Okay. Now, if you look at the second
5	A. Yes.	5	paragraph of Mr. King's article, it says quote,
6	Q. And you see that Bloomberg characterizes	6	"ARM, based in the UK, has given Qualcomm a mandated
7	the notice that was sent to Qualcomm as an	7	60-day notice of the cancellation of their so-called
8	escalation?	8	architectural license agreement, according to a
9	A. Let me read through this.	9	document seen by Bloomberg."
10	(Witness reviews.)	10	Do you see that?
11	Sorry, can you repeat the question?	11	A. Yes.
12	Q. Yes.	12	Q. And do you have any quibble with the
13	You see that Bloomberg characterizes the	13	accuracy of this language in the Bloomberg article?
14	notice that was sent to Qualcomm as an escalation?	14	A. Do I the question is, do I have any
15	A. Yes.	15	what's the word you used?
16	Q. Okay. Mr. Siegel is an attorney at	16	Q. "Quibble."
17	Morrison & Foerster, a law firm representing ARM in	17	A. Quibble.
18	this litigation; correct?	18	Are you asking if I disagree with it?
19	A. Yes.	19	Q. My question is, do you have any quibble
20	Q. And Mr. Siegel sits on the SoftBank board	20	with the accuracy of this language in the Bloomberg
21	with you?	21	article?
22	A. Yes.	22	A. I'm sorry. Can you can you define
23	Q. And Mr. Siegel advised in 2025 SoftBank	23	"quibble."
24	and ARM on the acquisition of a company called	24	Q. Yeah.
25	Ampere; right?	25	Do you take any issue with the accuracy of
	Page 111		Page 113
1	A. Yes.	1	this language in the Bloomberg article?
2	Q. All right.	2	A. I'm not sure the word "mandated" is is
3	And Mr. Siegel sends this e-mail to both	3	correct. I would take issue with that word
4	you and Spencer Collins. And he's forwarding a	4	"mandated."
5	message from FGS Global which is ARM's outside	5	Q. Okay. Anything else that you think is
6	communications firm.		inaccurate about this statement from Bloomberg?
7	You see that?	7	A. Well, it's again, it's the notice of
8	MR. LoCASCIO: Object to form.	8	the cancellation isn't really accurate. It's the
9	THE WITNESS: Can you repeat that	9	letter said we would be entitled to cancel it.
10	question?	10	This letter this this is a little strong.
	question:	10	_
11	BY MS DUNN:	11	O Okay But you would agree this is how
11	BY MS. DUNN:	11	Q. Okay. But you would agree this is how
12	Q. Yeah.	12	Bloomberg characterized the notice letter?
12 13	Q. Yeah.If you look at the bottom of the second	12 13	Bloomberg characterized the notice letter? A. I would agree that this is a Bloomberg
12 13 14	Q. Yeah. If you look at the bottom of the second page, it says "FGS Global."	12 13 14	Bloomberg characterized the notice letter? A. I would agree that this is a Bloomberg article and that's how they wrote it.
12 13 14 15	Q. Yeah. If you look at the bottom of the second page, it says "FGS Global." A. Mm-hmm.	12 13 14 15	Bloomberg characterized the notice letter? A. I would agree that this is a Bloomberg article and that's how they wrote it. Q. Yeah.
12 13 14 15 16	Q. Yeah.If you look at the bottom of the second page, it says "FGS Global."A. Mm-hmm.Q. And FGS Global is ARM's outside	12 13 14 15 16	Bloomberg characterized the notice letter? A. I would agree that this is a Bloomberg article and that's how they wrote it. Q. Yeah. And you would also agree that the headline
12 13 14 15 16 17	 Q. Yeah. If you look at the bottom of the second page, it says "FGS Global." A. Mm-hmm. Q. And FGS Global is ARM's outside communications firm; correct? 	12 13 14 15 16 17	Bloomberg characterized the notice letter? A. I would agree that this is a Bloomberg article and that's how they wrote it. Q. Yeah. And you would also agree that the headline says "Arm to Cancel Qualcomm Chip Design License."
12 13 14 15 16 17 18	 Q. Yeah. If you look at the bottom of the second page, it says "FGS Global." A. Mm-hmm. Q. And FGS Global is ARM's outside communications firm; correct? A. Yes. One of them. 	12 13 14 15 16 17 18	Bloomberg characterized the notice letter? A. I would agree that this is a Bloomberg article and that's how they wrote it. Q. Yeah. And you would also agree that the headline says "Arm to Cancel Qualcomm Chip Design License." You see that?
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1 A. I'm sorry. One -- one more time. 2 Q. Okay. Now that you're aware that it's 3 possible that somebody at ARM or one of ARM's agents 4 showed Bloomberg the notice letter, is that 5 something that you would take action about as CEO of 6 the company? 7 A. Would I take action now? 8 O. Yeah. A. I would have to think about it. Q. Okay. Would it concern you if this notice 11 letter was shared by ARM or ARM's agents with the A. Would it concern me? 13 14 Q. Yes. 15 A. Can you expand on what you mean by concern 16 me? 17 Q. Whatever definition you like. Would it 18 concern you, Mr. Haas, if this notice letter was shared by ARM or ARM's agents with the media? 20 A. I would try to understand more. Q. Okay. 21 MR. LoCASCIO: Object to form. 25 THE WITNESS: 3 BY MS. DUNN: Q. Okay. But you saw that the letter 5 contains contract provisions; correct? MR. LoCASCIO: Object to form. 7 THE WITNESS: The letter does con- -- yep. 8 BY MS. DUNN: 9 Q. And you know that the contracts are 10 confidential; correct? 11 MR. LoCASCIO: Same objection. 12 THE WITNESS: Some -- some -- most of the 13 contracts, yes. 14 BY MS. DUNN: Q. Okay. Which contracts are not 15 16 confidential? 17 A. I'm not familiar with all the contracts. 18 Q. Okay. MR. LoCASCIO: Object to form. 21 THE WITNESS: I don't know that to be 22

Q. Okay. Do you -- you don't know that

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- 2 A. I don't.
 - Q. Nobody told you that?
- A. I'm sorry. Repeat the question. 4
 - Q. Nobody told you that ARM is taking the
- position that all of its contracts are confidential?
 - A. I'm not aware of that.
 - Q. Okay. And you're also not aware that the
- 9 contracts themselves say that they are confidential?
- A. Lot -- there are so many contracts. I'm 10 11 not familiar with all of them.
- 12 Q. Okay. Well, the Qualcomm litigation which
- 13 has involved the Qualcomm ALA at this point for
- years is confidential. Are you aware of that?
 - A. That contract, yes.
- 16 Q. Yes.
- 17 And if the Qualcomm ALA provisions that
- are cited in the notice letter were shared with the
- media, would that concern you as the CEO?
 - A. If if the -- if confidential information
- 21 from Qualcomm was leaked to the media, would that
- 22 concern me?
- 23 Q. Yes.
- 24 A. I would want to find out more.
 - Q. Okay. But it wouldn't automatically

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- 1 concern you? You just would want to do some
- 2 investigation?
- 3 A. I don't -- the -- if confidential
- 4 information was shared externally, I would want to
- understand more detail.
- Q. Okay. And if confidential information was
- shared externally in breach of the Qualcomm/ARM
- agreement, would that concern you?
- 9 A. I would want to understand more.
- 10 Q. Okay. So it wouldn't be just
- 11 automatically -- you couldn't say -- automatically
- say you'd be concerned, you just need to know more
- details? 13

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- 14 A. I don't -- I would need understand more
- 15 detail. That's right.
 - Q. All right.
- 17 So it might be okay with you?
- 18 A. No. I would just want to understand more.
 - Q. Okay. So do you plan to try to
- 19 20 investigate more about how -- about whether the
- notice letter was shared with the media?
- 22 A. I have to think about what to do next.
- 23 Q. Okay. You don't know, sitting here today,
- 24 what to do about this?
- A. That's right. 25

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24 BY MS. DUNN:

23 true.

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Page 122 Page 124 1 Q. Okay. Now, when your outside lawyer 1 And you can exclude any conversation with lawyers. 2 sends -- oh, strike that. 2 A. Yeah, so I have talked to Spencer. 3 Did you read this article at the time? 3 Q. Okay. And what did Spencer tell you about 4 his conversation with Bloomberg? 4 A. I believe so. 5 Q. Okay. And when Mr. Siegel, your lawyer, MR. LoCASCIO: Object to form. 5 6 sends -- sends this e-mail to you and to your chief 6 Ms. Dunn, if -- the way the question's 7 legal officer, Mr. Collins, it does not say that 7 written is Spencer telling you about his somebody has -- strike that. conversation with Bloomberg, there might be boundaries around that, if that had happened, then I 9 So when Mr. Siegel, your outside lawyer, 10 sends this article to you and to Mr. Collins, your would let him answer. 10 11 chief legal officer, he does not ask any questions 11 I -- I think that's a different thing from 12 about the document that Bloomberg says they have 12 what you were asking a second ago. 13 seen; correct? 13 So if you want to leave that question on, 14 I'll instruct him on that question; or do you want 14 A. I'm sorry. Say -- say that again. Q. When Mr. Siegel, your outside lawyer, to rephrase the question? 15 15 16 sends this article to you and Mr. Collins, your MS. DUNN: Well, now I have something else 16 17 chief legal officer, he does not ask any questions 17 to ask about. 18 about the document that Bloomberg says it saw; 18 BY MS. DUNN: 19 correct? 19 Q. Okay. So you said that you talked to 20 Mr. Collins about Mr. Collins' conversation with 20 A. There's no reference to that in this 21 e-mail. 21 Bloomberg? 22 22 MR. LoCASCIO: Object to form. Q. Right. And you don't recall having any 23 THE WITNESS: No. No, no. No. Maybe I 23 24 conversations at the time trying to figure out who 24 misunderstood your question. 25 showed a document to Bloomberg; right? 25 BY MS. DUNN: Page 123 Page 125 1 A. Yeah, I don't recall. Q. Okay. But your testimony is that you 2 Q. Right. Okay. 2 spoke to Mr. Collins about the conversation that Now, ARM has admitted that Mr. Siegel and 3 3 Mr. Siegel and Mr. Kranhold had with Bloomberg? 4 Mr. Kranhold spoke to the Bloomberg reporter. MR. LoCASCIO: I want you to -- if you can Did either Mr. Siegel or Mr. Kranhold tell 5 5 answer the question and you have a recollection of 6 you about their conversation with the Bloomberg 6 it, you can answer it yes or no, but don't say 7 reporter? 7 anything beyond that. 8 A. No. 8 THE WITNESS: My recollection was having a Q. Okay. So sitting here today, no one has conversation with Spencer about it. 10 ever told you about the conversation that ARM had BY MS. DUNN: 10 11 with Bloomberg that preceded this article? 11 Q. Okay. And did you have a conversation 12 MR. LoCASCIO: Object to form. And 12 with Spencer at the time? 13 whether there were or not, I want to -- you to 13 A. I don't recall. 14 exclude any communications you may have had with 14 Q. Okay. 15 counsel relating to this issue. But otherwise, you 15 MS. DUNN: I -- given that this is about a 16 can answer the question. 16 news article, I don't -- I don't know that there THE WITNESS: Okay. 17 would be privilege concerns. You can talk about 17 Yeah, so the first question was, did I 18 18 that at the break, and we'll come back to it. 19 speak to Ken or Paul? And then the next question 19 MR. LoCASCIO: If you want to -- I'll talk

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to the witness at the break about it.

MR. LoCASCIO: Well --

22 going to ask about it, but I want --

MS. DUNN: Yeah.

MS. DUNN: Yeah, I -- well, 'cause I'm

MR. LoCASCIO: -- just so the record's

22 BY MS. DUNN:

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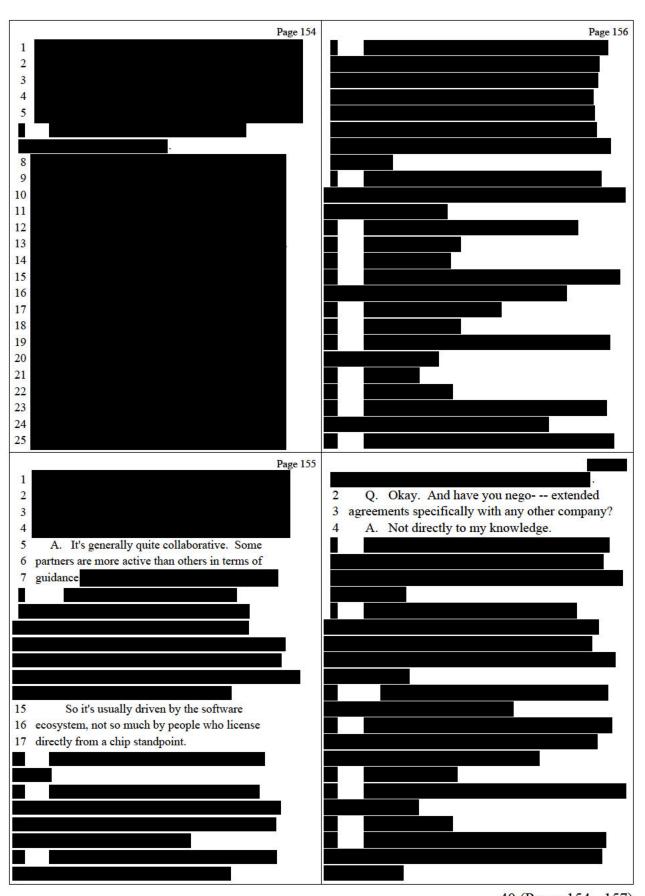
20 was, had I spoke [verbatim] to anyone?

I think -- is that what you asked?

24 one has ever told you about the conversation that

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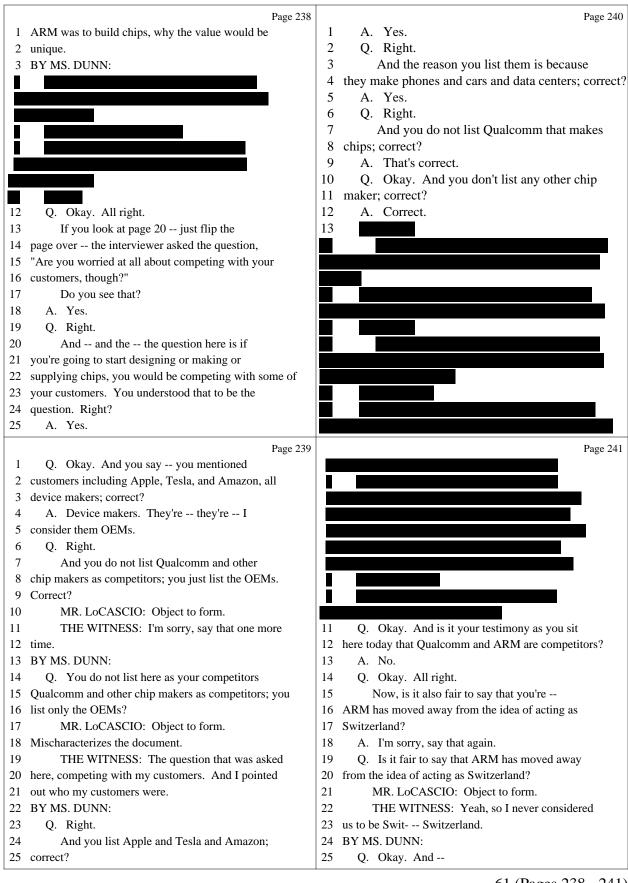
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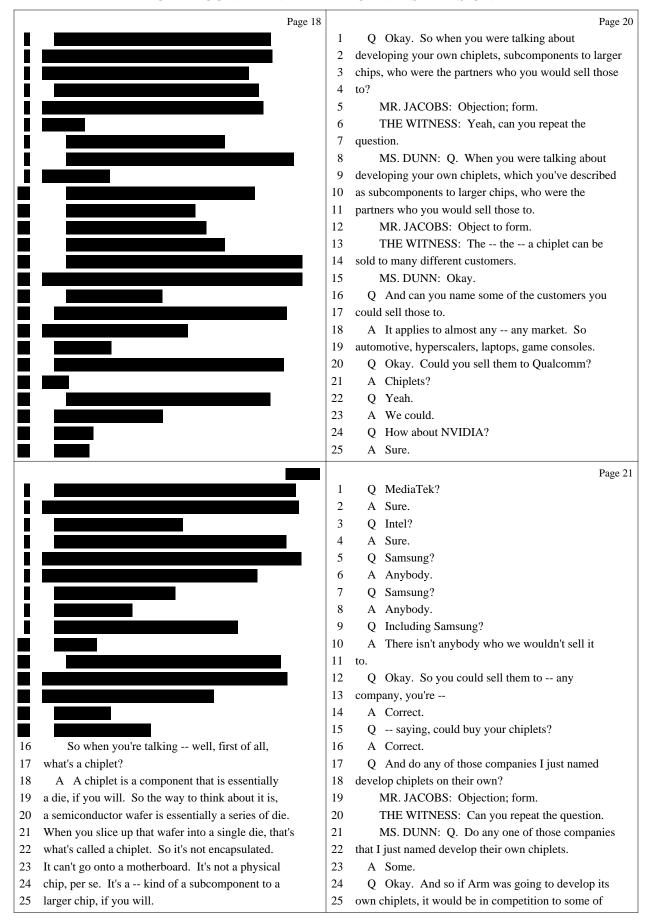
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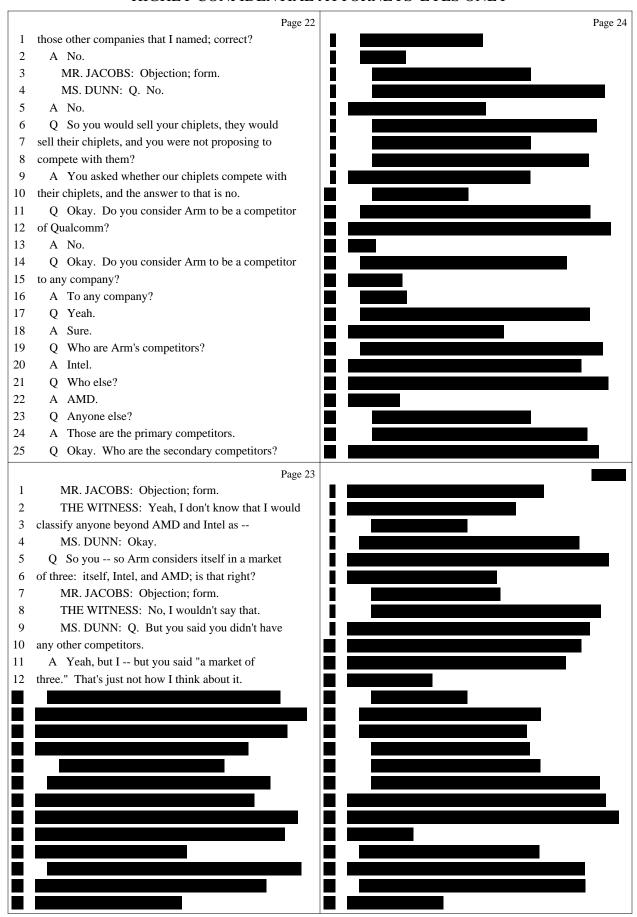
Page 242 Page 244 A. So I -- so I can't say we're moving away 1 A. I don't know who it was. 2 from it because I never considered that to be our 2 Q. Okay. But it probably wasn't SoftBank 3 position. 3 leaking out that they were targeted with a second Q. Okay. And would you say that ARM is -- is 4 4 request; right? 5 neutral as of -- as among its other large companies 5 A. I would think it would not be SoftBank. in the technology space --6 Q. Right. MR. LoCASCIO: Object to form. 7 7 And another party who would know about 8 BY MS. DUNN: 8 that about that was the FTC; correct? 9 Q. -- today? 9 A. That's -- that's correct. 10 A. Say the question again. 10 Q. Okay. And are you aware of any other Q. I said, would you say that ARM is -- acts 11 parties besides SoftBank, ARM, and the FTC who knew 12 neutrally as among other large companies in the 12 that there was a second request? 13 technology space today? MR. LoCASCIO: Object to form. 13 MR. LoCASCIO: Same objection. 14 14 THE WITNESS: Can you repeat that THE WITNESS: I would say we are no 15 15 question? 16 different than most of the people in the technology 16 BY MS. DUNN: 17 space, which moves very, very fast. 17 Q. Are you -- do you know of any other MS. DUNN: Okay. So, let's go off the 18 18 parties besides SoftBank, ARM, and the FTC who knew 19 record. 19 there was a second request in conjunction with the THE VIDEOGRAPHER: This is the end of 20 20 Ampere acquisition? 21 Media Number 4. We're off the record at 1:47 p.m. 21 MR. LoCASCIO: Object to form. 22 (Short recess taken.) 22 THE WITNESS: Ampere would know. 23 (Haas Deposition Exhibit 11 was marked for 23 BY MS. DUNN: 24 identification.) 24 Q. Fair. 25 THE VIDEOGRAPHER: This is the start of 25 Do you know of any other parties besides Page 243 Page 245 1 Media 5. We're back on the record at 2:00 p.m. 1 SoftBank, ARM, Ampere, and the FTC who knew that 2 Proceed. 2 there was a second request? 3 BY MS. DUNN: 3 MR. LoCASCIO: Same objection. Q. Okay. Mr. Haas, you have in front of you 4 THE WITNESS: I would not speculate who 5 Haas 11. This is a Bloomberg article that published 5 beyond those three. 6 last week. The headline is, "SoftBank's Ampere Deal BY MS. DUNN: 7 Faces In-Depth U.S. Probe in Threat to AI Q. Okay. And we can agree it's unlikely 8 Ambitions." 8 SoftBank, ARM, or Ampere would put this news out; 9 Do you see that? right? 9 10 10 A. I think it would be unlikely. Q. Okay. Did you speak with Bloomberg in 11 11 Q. Okay. 12 advance of this article? A. No. 13 14 Q. Okay. And do you have any thoughts about 14 A. Yes, that's correct. 15 who might have leaked this news to Bloomberg? 15 Q. And I think you might have said earlier, A. No. 16 16 but did you participate in the decision to acquire Q. Okay. And do you think it could have been 17 17 Ampere? 18 the regulators? 18 A. I was in the discussions to acquire 19 A. Do I think --19 Ampere, yes. 20 MR. LoCASCIO: Object to form. 20 Q. Okay. And would you agree that if Ampere 21 THE WITNESS: I'm sorry. Say -- repeat 21 is acquired by SoftBank, then it would not be a 22 that. 22 competitor to ARM because they both will be under 23 BY MS. DUNN: 23 the SoftBank umbrella? 24 Q. Do you think that the regulators could 24 A. Can you repeat that? 25 have been responsible for this leak? 25 Q. Yes.

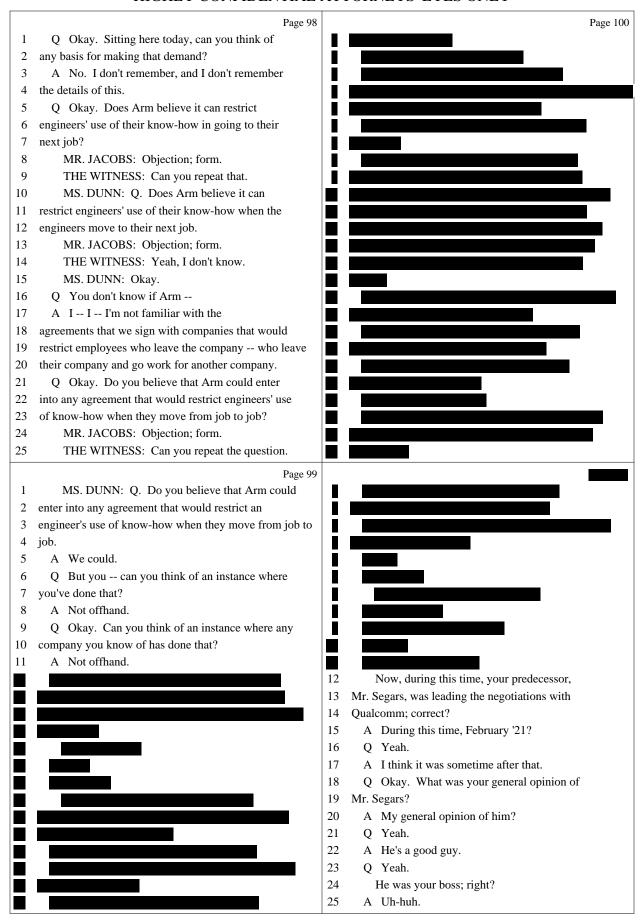
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6	Plaintiff,)
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7	vs.) C.A. No. 22-1146 (MN)
)
8	QUALCOMM INC., a Delaware)
	corporation; QUALCOMM)
9	TECHNOLOGIES, INC., a)
	Delaware Corporation, and)
10	NUVIA, INC., a Delaware)
	Corporation,)
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	Defendants.)
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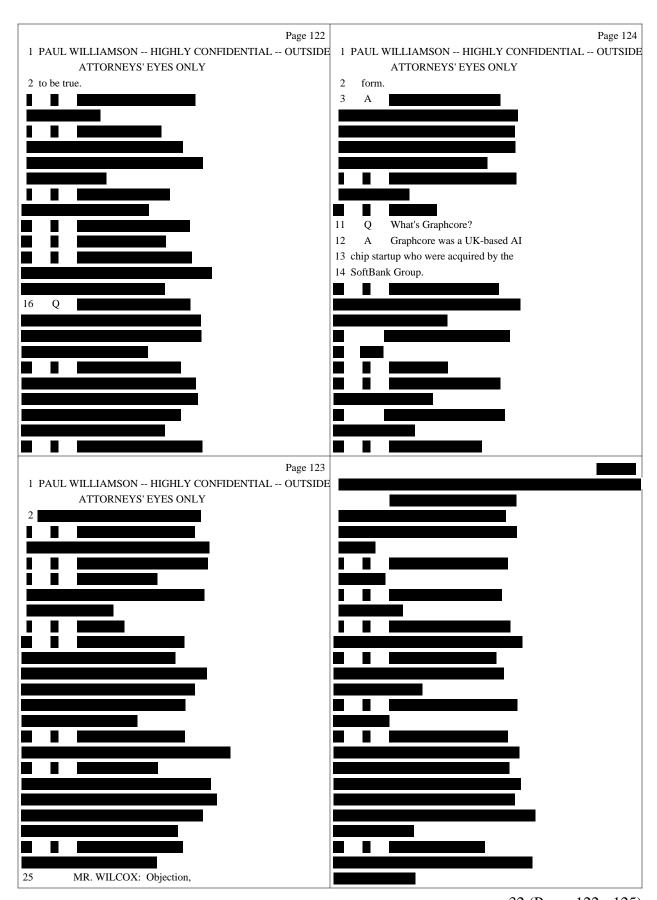
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	FOR THE DISTRICT OF DELAWARE
3	C.A. No. 24-490-MN
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4	QUALCOMM INCORPORATED, a Delaware
	corporation, QUALCOMM TECHNOLOGIES, INC.,
5	a Delaware corporation,
6	Plaintiffs,
7	- against -
8	ARM HOLDINGS PLC., f/k/a ARM LTD., a U.K.
	corporation
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	Defendant.
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18	RIFKIND WHARTON & GARRISON, LLP, located at
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21	Registered Professional Reporter, a Certified
22	Realtime Reporter and a Notary Public of the
23	State of New York.
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1 PAUL WILLIAMSON HIGHLY CONFIDENTIAL OUTS! ATTORNEYS' EYES ONLY	IDE 1 PAUL WILLIAMSON HIGHLY CONFIDENTIAL OUTSID: ATTORNEYS' EYES ONLY
2 Q Do you recognize this	2 A I do.
3 document?	3 Q What offering is this
4 A I don't recognize it,	4 referring to?
5 actually. I'm not sure. It doesn't give	5 A It's not specific. So I'd
6 me the context.	6 be speculating.
7 Q Do you see on the first page	7 Q Does ARM have offerings that
8 in the top comment on the side, it says	8 compete with Qualcomm?
9 "mailed to paul.williamson@arm.com"?	9 MR. WILCOX: Objection,
10 A So the first page, do you 11 mean the comments?	10 form. 11 A We don't well, we
12 Q Yes.	11 A We don't well, we 12 consider Qualcomm to be both a partner to
13 A Yes.	13 us, and we supply technology. But they
14 Q Do you recognize that as a	14 do compete with our other partners who
15 comment from you on this document?	15 use ARM technology.
16 MR. WILCOX: Objection,	16 Q But you don't think that
17 form.	17 Qualcomm competes with ARM?
18 A I believe that's actually a	18 A We wouldn't refer to them as
19 comment from someone else.	19 a competitor, no.
20 Q Is it a comment to you?	20 Q Let's look down a couple of
21 A It could be, yeah. I think	21 lines.
22 that's how it's structured in this	22 There's a paragraph that
23 document.	23 starts with the words, "The current
24 Q And then the comment below	24 proposals have been binary."
25 that, "replies," is that comment from	Do you see that?
ATTORNEYS' EYES ONLY 2 you? 3 A I can't be sure because it 4 says "pwtr1." And I don't actually know	ATTORNEYS' EYES ONLY 2 A Sorry. Front page? 3 Q Yes, front page. 4 A Yes.
5 if that is me or not, the way this	5 Q That sentence says, '
6 document's been marked.	
7 Q You have no reason to doubt	."
8 that this document came from your files?	8 You see that?
9 A No. If you tell me it came	9 A Yes.
10 from my files, I would totally accept	10 Q And below that, it says,
11 that.	
12 Q And you could see at the	
13 bottom, it's Bates Stamped with an ARM	
14 Bates Stamp, indicating that it came from	14 Do you see that?
15 ARM. You see that?	15 A I do.
16 A Yeah.	16 Q '
17 Q At the top of this document,	
18 it says,	."
	Do you see that?
	20 A I do.
	21 Q Do you know why this
	22 document says
	24 MD WIL COV. Objection
25 Do you soo that?	24 MR. WILCOX: Objection,
Do you see that?	25 form.

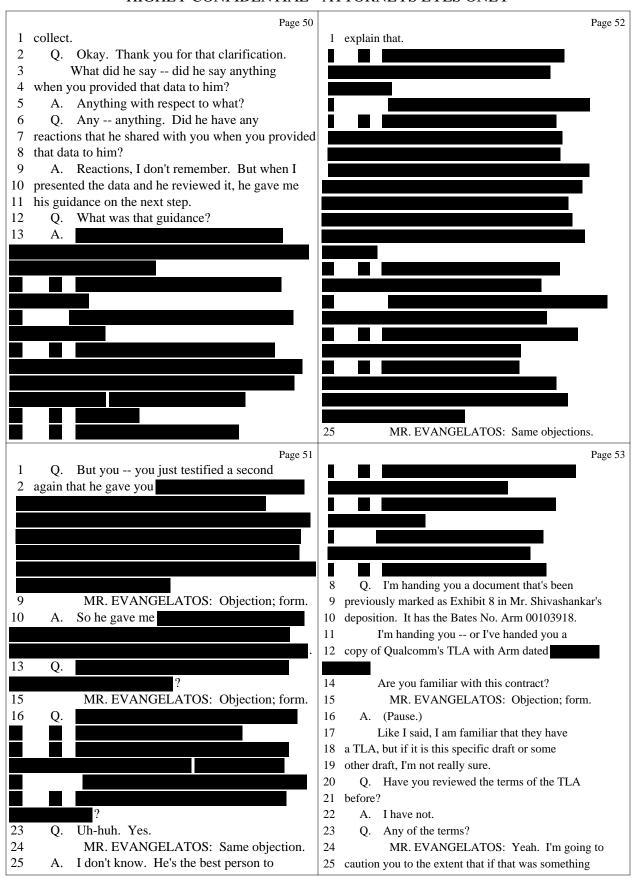
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2	FOR THE DISTRICT OF DELAWARE YORK
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4	TECHNOLOGIES, INC., a Delaware corporation CASE NO. 24-490-MN
5	Plaintiffs,
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Page 326 Page 328 BY MR. WILCOX: to -- to benefit in the short term, the answer is 1 2 Can you go to paragraph 67 of your 2 "yes." 3 report? Actually let's go to paragraph 71. 4 That's the wrong one. 5 In paragraph 71, do you see the sentence that starts: Further? 6 7 Yes. A. 8 And your opinion in that sentence is 9 that if Arm is a viable competitor downstream and 10 is able to capture even a small portion of 10 Well, yes, it will increase its Α. diverted sales from Qualcomm, that creates 11 profits. Yes. 11 12 additional incentives to foreclose Qualcomm, 12 That again, doesn't require Q. correct? sacrificing any profits in the short term to do 13 13 14 Α. Correct. 14 that, right? 15 Α. Not necessarily. Depends. 16 Q. Can you go to paragraph 9 of your 17 reply, please? 18 Α. Paragraph 9? 19 Correct. Ο. 21 Q. What you say here is just data 22 centers, right? Page 327 Right. But I think I explained -- I 1 2 thought I explained in the report that I am using Α. In paragraph 9? 3 data centers for illustrative purposes, as I say 3 MR. DESAI: Objection. Form. 4 in paragraph 69. 4 Α. Yes. 5 BY MR. WILCOX: And in your opinion, employing that 6 Q. 7 strategy, Arm would immediately benefit in the 8 short-term, correct? 9 Α. It could immediately benefit in the 10 short-term, not necessarily. You said several times today that 11 Ο. So it would be economically rational 12 you are not offering any legal opinions, correct? 12 13 13 for Arm to do that, correct? Α. That's correct. I think so. 14 Α. 14 And you have no legal principle 15 And it wouldn't require Arm to 15 section, for example, in either of your reports, 16 sacrifice any profits in the short term to do 16 correct? that, would it? 17 17 Α. Correct. 18 Well, it kind of sort of depends on You are not providing an opinion on 18 Q. 19 the magnitudes. But if you are asking whether 19 whether Arm's conduct violates or threatens to 20 it's possible for Arm both to -- to enter the 20 violate section 1 of the Sherman Act? 21 downstream market and lose -- and lose royalties 21 Α. I am not. 22 from its competitors, that it's possible for Arm 22 Q. You are also not offer that opinion

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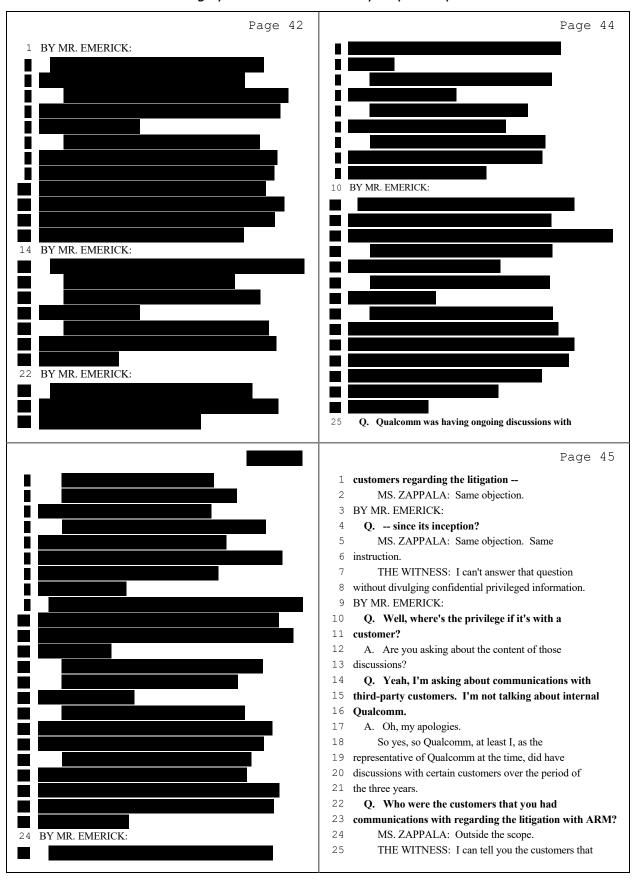
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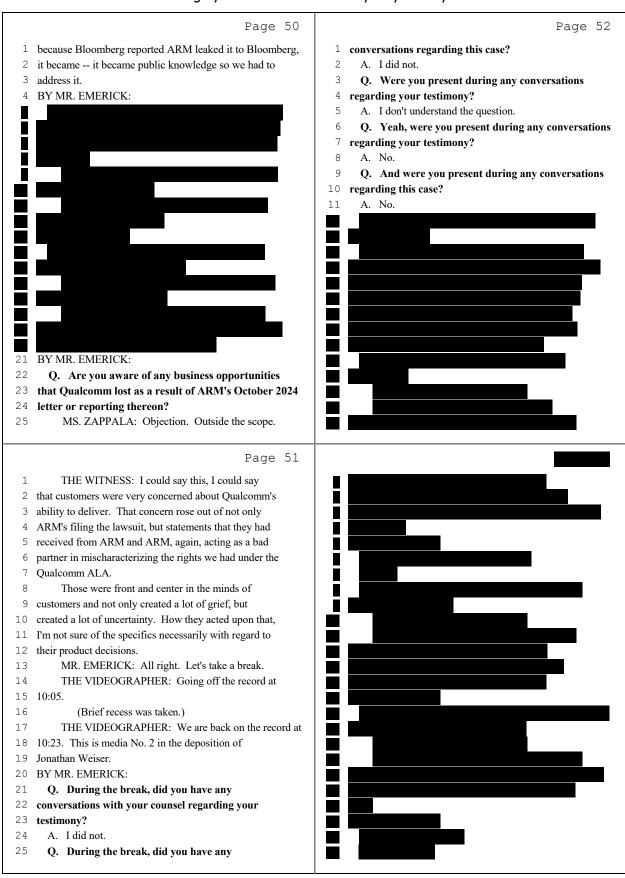
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Page 38 Page 40 1 BY MR. EMERICK: 1 BY MR. EMERICK: Q. Do you know if Qualcomm's required to disclose certain information in SEC filings? MS. ZAPPALA: Outside the scope. BY MR. EMERICK: 5 THE WITNESS: As a public company, it would Q. We started briefly talking before about the have certain obligations to disclose in SEC filings. 7 BY MR. EMERICK: European Commission, the Federal Trade Commission, and Korean Federal Trade Commission. Do you recall that? Q. What kind of information is Qualcomm required 9 MS. ZAPPALA: Outside the scope. to disclose in SEC filings? 10 THE WITNESS: I recall your question, yes. 10 MS. ZAPPALA: Outside the scope. You can 11 answer to the extent without divulging privileged 11 BY MR. EMERICK: Q. Do you have an understanding of the current 12 communications. 12 13 status of those actions against ARM? 13 THE WITNESS: I -- so yeah, so I don't handle 14 MS. ZAPPALA: Objection to form. Outside the 14 Qualcomm, or when I was working at Qualcomm -- I'm scope. You can answer to the extent you can without 15 15 retired now -- I didn't handle Qualcomm's SEC filings. revealing any privileged communications. 16 16 So I didn't work on those matters. 17 THE WITNESS: Yeah, no, I'm not aware of the 17 Typically, I seem to recall matters would 18 status. 18 include various different disclosures with regard to 19 BY MR. EMERICK: 19 risk to Qualcomm's business, financial information, 20 information with regard to key employees. But, again, 21 it wasn't -- it wasn't an area that I worked on. 22 BY MR. EMERICK: 23 Q. Are you aware that in October 2024, ARM sent a BY MR. EMERICK: letter to Qualcomm stating that Qualcomm was in breach 25 Q. What about for the -of the Qualcomm ALA? Page 39 Page 41 A. I didn't work on the matter. 1 MS. ZAPPALA: Outside the scope. 2 THE WITNESS: I believe that I reviewed that letter. It was sent to me. And the letter is actually a letter that announces or informs Qualcomm that it -that ARM was terminating Qualcomm's license providing a notice of termination. 7 BY MR. EMERICK: 8 Q. That's your understanding that as of -- that BY MR. EMERICK: 9 the letter terminated the license? 10 10 Q. Are you aware there was a story published A. It was --11 11 earlier this year about Qualcomm's actions against ARM MS. ZAPPALA: Outside the scope. THE WITNESS: Yeah, my reading of the letter is in the European Commission, the FTC, and the KFTC? 12 12 13 MS. ZAPPALA: Outside the scope. 13 that it was a -- I think the letter was October 2024, THE WITNESS: I don't recall a story. that's the letter you're referring to? 14 14 15 BY MR. EMERICK: 16 16 Q. Do you recall any media regarding Qualcomm's Q. Yes. actions against ARM in the European Commission and the 17 A. It was a letter to put Qualcomm on notice that 17 ARM would terminate Qualcomm's license in 60 days. 18 FTC or the KFTC? 19 Q. And would the termination be automatic after 60 19 MS. ZAPPALA: Outside the scope. 20 THE WITNESS: As I sit here today, I'm not 20 days or it's -- would it need to be something that ARM 21 would -- a separate step that ARM would take -- have to 21 aware. 22 BY MR. EMERICK: 22 take after the 60 days? 23 MS. ZAPPALA: Outside the scope. 2.3 Q. Is Qualcomm a public company? 24 THE WITNESS: I don't seem to recall. 24 MS. ZAPPALA: Outside the scope. 25 /// 25 THE WITNESS: Yes, it is.

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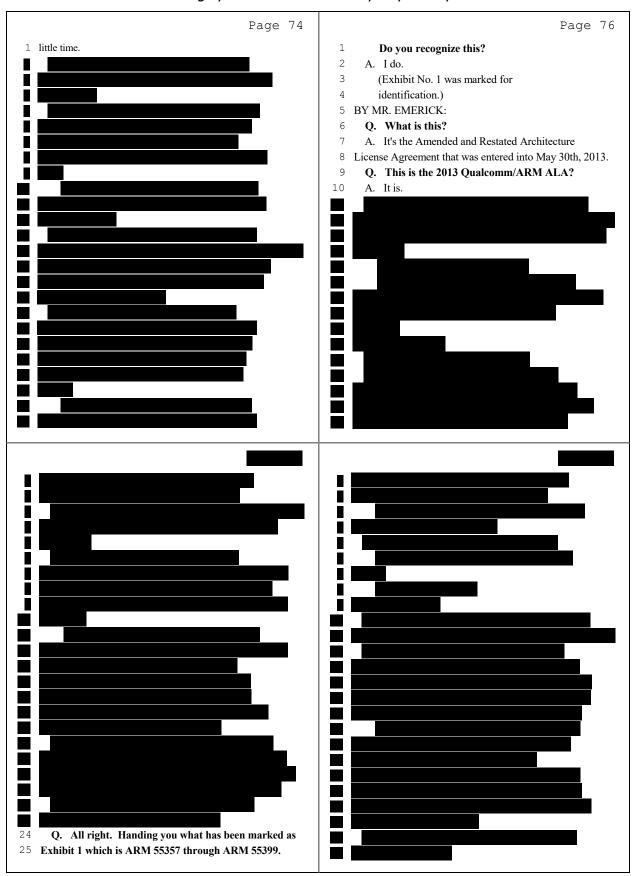
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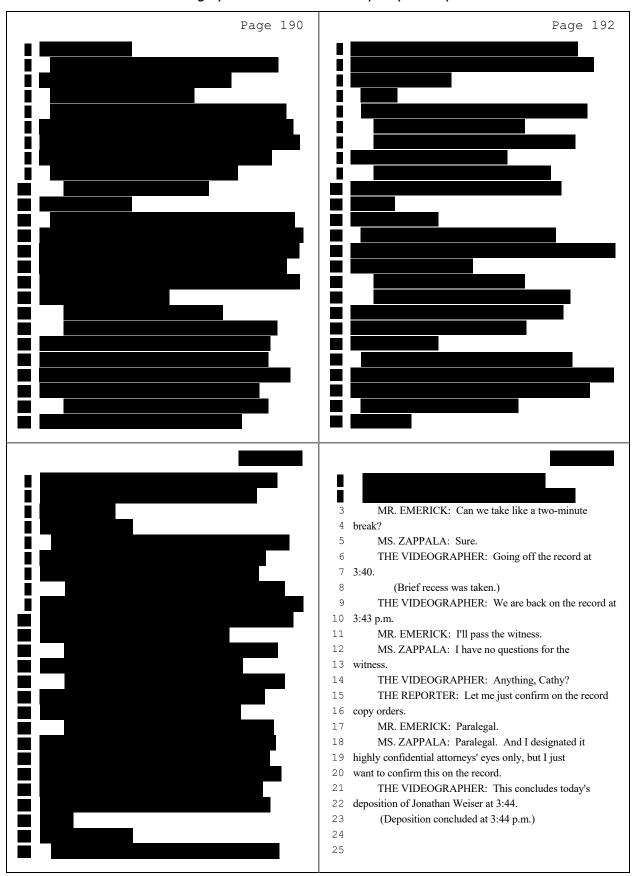
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	corporation, QUALCOMM TECHNOLOGIES, INC.,	
5	a Delaware corporation,	
6	Plaintiffs,	
7	- against -	
8	ARM HOLDINGS PLC., f/k/a ARM LTD., a U.K.	
	corporation	
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	Defendant.	
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2 from ATG about features that ALA partners	2 MR. EMERICK: Objection,
3 are implementing in their custom cores?	3 form.
4 MR. EMERICK: Objection,	4 A What do you mean by compete?
5 form.	5 Q Do you sell to the same
6 A What would you describe as	6 customers or try to?
7 often?	7
8 Q Well, let's do it another	
9 way.	
10 How often do you get	
11 information from ATG about features that	11 Q How do you know they're not
12 ALA partners are implementing in their	12 trying to?
13 custom cores?	
14 A Do you mean me personally	
15 or when you say you, you mean me?	
16 Q Let's start there. You	
17 personally.	17 Q Ultimately, would they be
18 A I don't recall. But not	18 competitive within products
19 it's not common.	19 MR. EMERICK: Objection.
20 Q What do you mean by not	20 Q of the ARM CPUs and
21 common?	21 custom CPUs?
22 A For example, I wouldn't	22 MR. EMERICK: Objection,
23 every week have a conversation. But the	23 form.
24 nature of my role, at least in the	24 A So the products are the
25 moment, is not to build CPUs or to align	25 products that our silicon partners create
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2 architectural features between cores.	2 will be compared on many different
3 Q So how often would you get	3 aspects, like their video display, modem,
4 such information?	4 if it's in a mobile device. There's lots
5 A This time, I don't think I	5 of different aspects which our
6 would have a conversation that would talk	6 partners our silicon partners will go
7 about this more than a few times a year,	7 and create chips around. It's not just
8 but possibly not even once a year.	8 about the CPU.
9 Q And how often do you think	9 Q Would you characterize that
10 those conversations happen for others	10 as competing or not?
11 that report to you or in the CPU	11 MR. EMERICK: Objection,
12 development role?	12 form.
MR. EMERICK: Objection,	13 A I characterize that as just
14 form.	14 a business practice of these different
15 A I wouldn't like to	15 companies that will be building products,
16 speculate. I don't know.	16 some of which will be used on
17 Q Do you know of any instances	17 implementation, some of which won't.
18 in which people who report to you or are	18 Q So you don't have a view,
19 in the CPU development role have received	19 one way or the other, as to whether ARM
20 such information?	20 implementation cores compete at any level
21 A I don't recall a specific	21 with custom cores; is that accurate?
22 instance.	22 A So there will be comparisons
23 Q Would you agree with me that	23 made, but more by our silicon partners
24 the ARM CPUs that you work on compete	24 who are providing their silicon
24 the ARM CI Os that you work on compete	24 who are providing their smeon

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From: Sent: To:	Lynn Couillard [Lynn.Couillard@arm.com] 05/06/2020 02:19:04 Todd Lepinski [Todd.Lepinski@arm.com]; Laurence Bryant [Laurence.Bryant@arm.com]; Karthik Shivashankar
Subject:	[Karthik.Shivashankar@arm.com]; Akshay Bhatnagar [Akshay.Bhatnagar@arm.com]
+Karthik an	d Akshay
Hi team -	
Just checkii	ng on this one. Is there any need for us to respond to this?
Please advi	se.
Thanks Lynn	
Date: Wed	n Couillard <lynn.couillard@arm.com> Inesday, May 20, 2020 at 1:10 PM epinski <todd.lepinski@arm.com>, Laurence Bryant <laurence.bryant@arm.com></laurence.bryant@arm.com></todd.lepinski@arm.com></lynn.couillard@arm.com>
Hi Todd an	d Laurence,
Here's the	response from Qualcomm, which I think is quite clever.
Any ideas c	n next steps/response?
Lynn	
Date: Wed To: Lynn C	tt Bettesworth <betteswb@qti.qualcomm.com> Inesday, May 20, 2020 at 1:05 PM Iouillard <lynn.couillard@arm.com>, Rajiv Gupta <grajiv@qti.qualcomm.com> epinski <todd.lepinski@arm.com></todd.lepinski@arm.com></grajiv@qti.qualcomm.com></lynn.couillard@arm.com></betteswb@qti.qualcomm.com>
Hi Lynn,	
Thanks for	your email and the note below.

Sincerely, Brett
From: Lynn Couillard <lynn.couillard@arm.com> Sent: Friday, May 15, 2020 9:49 AM To: Brett Bettesworth <betteswb@qti.qualcomm.com>; Rajiv Gupta <grajiv@qti.qualcomm.com> Cc: Todd Lepinski <todd.lepinski@arm.com> Subject:</todd.lepinski@arm.com></grajiv@qti.qualcomm.com></betteswb@qti.qualcomm.com></lynn.couillard@arm.com>
Hello Brett and Rajiv, (+Todd)
Please let us know if you'd like to discuss, we can set something up for next week.
Thanks Lynn
From: Brett Bettesworth < betteswb@qti.qualcomm.com > Date: Thursday, May 7, 2020 at 1:57 PM To: Lynn Couillard < Lynn.Couillard@arm.com >, Rajiv Gupta < grajiv@qti.qualcomm.com > Subject:
Hi Lynn,
Friendly reminder on the second half of this week.
Please let us know if we need to initiate an
Thanks so much, Brett
From: Lynn Couillard < <u>Lynn.Couillard@arm.com</u> > Sent: Monday, May 4, 2020 8:49 AM To: Brett Bettesworth < <u>betteswb@ati.qualcomm.com</u> >; Rajiv Gupta < <u>grajiv@ati.qualcomm.com</u> > Subject:

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Hi Brett,

Thanks for your em. I'll discuss with my team and get back to you target second half this week.

Regards Lynn

From: Brett Bettesworth < betteswb@qti.qualcomm.com>

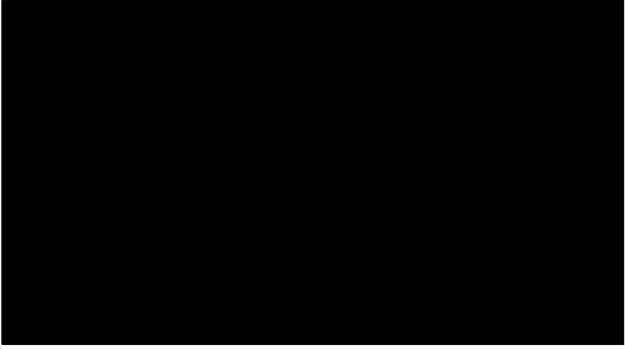
Date: Friday, May 1, 2020 at 12:33 PM

To: Lynn Couillard < Lynn.Couillard@arm.com >, Rajiv Gupta < grajiv@qti.qualcomm.com >

Subject:

Hi Lynn,

Thanks so much for providing the Roadmap and information below.



Thank you! Brett

From: Lynn Couillard < Lynn.Couillard@arm.com>

Sent: Tuesday, April 21, 2020 4:10 PM

To: Rajiv Gupta <grajiv@qti.qualcomm.com>

Case 1:24-cv-00490-MN Document 578-1 Filed 11/21/25 Page 112 of 228 PageID #: Cc: Brett Bettesworth <betteswb@qti.qualcomm.com> Subject: | HI Rajiv, Thanks, ok. Hope that helps. Lynn From: Rajiv Gupta <grajiv@qti.qualcomm.com> Date: Tuesday, April 21, 2020 at 3:38 PM To: Lynn Couillard < Lynn.Couillard@arm.com> Cc: Brett Bettesworth < betteswb@gti.gualcomm.com> Subject: Hi Lynn, So, this is the context. Rajiv From: Lynn Couillard < Lynn.Couillard@arm.com> Sent: Monday, April 20, 2020 4:48 PM To: Rajiv Gupta <grajiv@qti.qualcomm.com> Cc: Brett Bettesworth <betteswb@qti.qualcomm.com> Subject: | Hi Rajiv, Yes, I'm checking with the team. What is the context of this ask (sorry I meant to bring this up on our earlier call). Is someone looking for specific features? Other? Thanks Lynn

From: Rajiv Gupta <grajiv@qti.qualcomm.com>
Date: Monday, April 20, 2020 at 4:14 PM
To: Lynn Couillard <Lynn.Couillard@arm.com>

Cc: Brett Bettesworth < betteswb@gti.gualcomm.com>

Subject: RE:

Hi Lynn,

Appreciate update on the request below.

-Rajiv

From: Lynn Couillard < Lynn.Couillard@arm.com>

Sent: Friday, April 17, 2020 1:14 PM

To: Rajiv Gupta <grajiv@qti.qualcomm.com>

Cc: Brett Bettesworth < betteswb@qti.qualcomm.com>

Subject:

Hi Rajiv Checking.. Lynn

From: Rajiv Gupta <grajiv@qti.qualcomm.com>

Date: Friday, April 17, 2020 at 12:35 PM

To: Lynn Couillard < Lynn.Couillard@arm.com>

Cc: Brett Bettesworth <betteswb@qti.qualcomm.com>

Subject:

Hi Lynn,

Is anyone at Arm working on

Rajiv

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VIA OVERNIGHT COURIER AND ELECTRONIC MAIL

September 22, 2025

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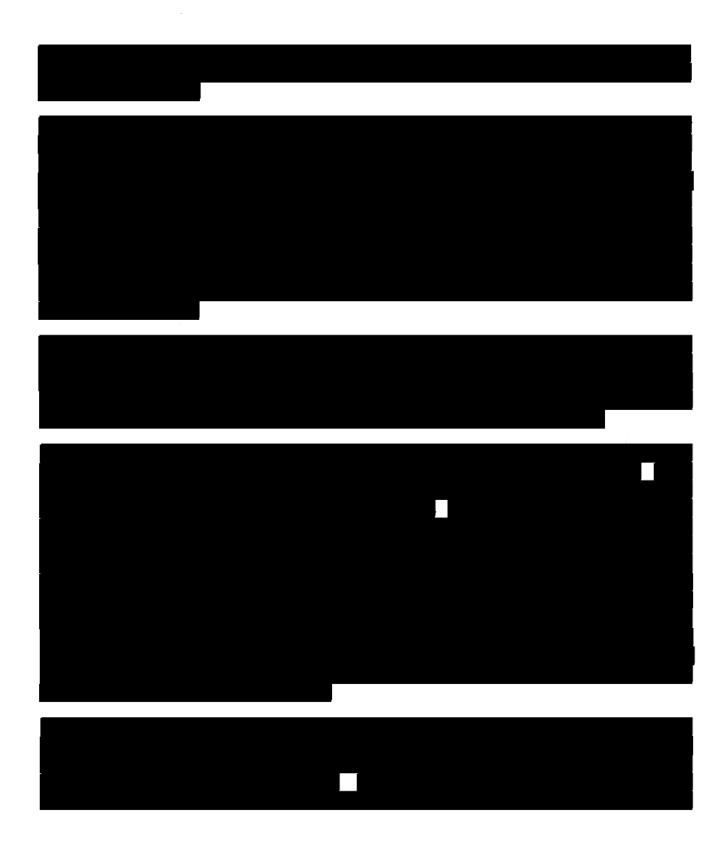
Attn: Spencer Collins, Executive Vice President and Chief Legal Officer, spencer collins@arm.com

Dear Spencer,

Thank you for your August 29 letter concerning Qualcomm's ongoing—yet still unfulfilled—request
for We are of course happy to
have another in-person meeting with Arm to advance negotiations, but it is difficult to see how such a meeting can be productive without Arm first providing its starting position for key commercial terms. Because we welcome Arm's engagement in meaningful discussions, we ask that Arm expeditiously provide its position on the key commercial terms in writing, which we would expect to receive in advance of a meeting.
As a reminder, Qualcomm has attempted to Qualcomm first requested Arm to provide a
Following Arm's October 19, 2024 presentation regarding the
We again attempted to move negotiations for forward in the fall of 2024 and throughout 2025 by repeatedly requesting a licensing proposal. Yet, Arm has not provided us with any proposed commercial terms or even outlined Arm's high-level position on any key commercial terms. Indeed, your August 29 th letter avoids any proposals, recycles legal arguments that Qualcomm has long rebutted, and purports to ask questions while avoiding any meaningful response to that Qualcomm sent to Arm in an effort to move negotiations forward.
Your letter seems to place importance on Arm's belief that the
We also understand from that presentation that Arm

cannot be a legitimate reason to delay the negotiation of any license in light of the parties' past
practice in negotiating licenses Contrary to your suggestion, it is our understanding that Arm has If we are mistaken in that understanding, we ask that Arm please confirm that it
has not entered into licenses
Qualcomm is providing responses to the questions in your August 29 letter below in a good-faith effort to advance negotiations. These resolve all questions that Arm has posed to Qualcomm, and there is no legitimate reason to continue delaying sending us Arm's proposed position on the key commercial terms in writing ahead of our next in-person meeting.







We will be happy to provide dates for a meeting once you provide us with a written proposal. We have met in person with Arm multiple times to the have yet to receive a concrete

proposal We have provided Arm a written proposal, and we ask that you provide a written counter-proposal to enable us to then meet and negotiate.

Qualcomm reserves all rights.

Regards,

Ann Chaplin

General Counsel and Corporate Secretary

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23	State of New York.
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Page 74 Page 76 SPENCER COLLINS -- CONFIDENTIAL SPENCER COLLINS -- CONFIDENTIAL 1 2 early as the answer in the original 2 and outside counsel that the appropriate 3 lawsuit between these parties, there is 3 thing to do is to send a formal 4 an allegation of breach of the Qualcomm 4 notification of material breach, as 5 ALA; is that right? 5 provided for under the contract, such A Can you repeat that, please? 6 that they were formally on notice to cure Q You recall that as early as 7 their breach. 8 the answer in the prior litigation, there 8 O And this only occurred to 9 were allegations of breach of the 9 you to do this 60 days before the trial 10 Qualcomm ALA; is that right? 10 when you had known for years, or you had 11 thought for years that the Qualcomm ALA 11 A I do loosely recall that. Q And again, those pleadings, 12 was being breached; right? 12 13 that answer would have been something 13 Α I wouldn't characterize it 14 that you approved for filing? 14 that way. Yes. I would have signed 15 Q 15 Well, you just testified 16 that the answer contended that the 16 off on the document. 17 O Did you ask your lawyers to 17 Oualcomm ALA was in breach. 18 draft this October 22nd, 2024 letter? 18 Α Mm-hmm. 19 It was agreed with my --19 0 And that was filed years 20 this topic was discussed with my outside 20 before this letter went out; right? 21 counsel and my team. And we decided that 21 Α Mm-hmm. 22 the appropriate thing to do was to have 22 O And so then suddenly in 23 this letter drafted and, indeed, sent to 23 October of 2024, you wake up and decide 24 this is the right time to send this 24 Qualcomm because we wanted to give 25 Qualcomm formal notification of the 25 letter; right? Page 75 Page 77 1 SPENCER COLLINS -- CONFIDENTIAL 1 SPENCER COLLINS -- CONFIDENTIAL 2 breach, such that they had the 2 Α As I said, we were 3 opportunity to cure the breach. 3 approaching trial. We were hopeful that Why at this time was it 4 a long, serving and trusted partner in 5 the form of Qualcomm would cure their 5 appropriate? We had tried via numerous 6 breach from when we issued a claim, 7 avenues to stop Qualcomm from breaching 7 actually when we first did it in the 8 our agreement. So we sent letters. That 8 first letter back in 2022. Sadly, they 9 didn't work. We were then left with no 9 did not cure the breach. We were hoping 10 that over time, they would cure the 10 choice but to issue a claim, which we've 11 breach and respect our contracts. 11 never done in our 35-year history, to a 12 12 customer of ours. Then we asked for Unfortunately, they 13 certification of their adherence to the 13 continued to refuse to do that. So we 14 termination provisions. We believed they 14 were left with no option, other than to 15 continued to be breached. 15 comply with the contract and follow the Nothing was working. We 16 procedure in the contract. 17 were approaching trial. This was sent on 18 the 22nd of October 2024. We were 19 approaching trial. And nothing was 20 working. This was not about money for 21 us. This was about respecting our 21 22 contracts and protecting our IP. We 23 wanted -- our ultimate goal in this 24 dispute was for Qualcomm to remedy the We felt, given we're 25 breach. We decided between me, my team 25 approaching trial and we were making no

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2 progress with Qualcomm, that was the	2 letter. We did not. And I don't recall
3 appropriate thing to do.	3 the exact time I became aware of the
4 Q So the fact that trial was	4 Snapdragon conference.
5 looming was a factor in sending this	5 But what I can tell you is,
6 letter; correct?	6 the coincided with the
7 A Yes.	7 trial date from our standpoint as opposed
8 Q And so it was intentional	8 to the Snapdragon conference.
9 that you had the	9 Q You do not dispute, do you,
	10 that Paul Kranhold, who is at FGS Global,
12 A Warman among of the foot	11 and Kenneth Siegel, who is a director at
12 A We were aware of the fact	12 SoftBank and also a Morrison & Foerster
13 that the would expire at or 14 around the conclusion of the trial. That	13 partner, discussed this letter, the 14 October 22nd letter that we've been
15 is correct. What we wanted was to have	
	15 talking about with Ian King at Bloomberg,
16 optionality in terms of remedy.	16 do you? 17 A I am aware that they had a
17 Q So you wanted to have the 18 ability to terminate the Qualcomm ALA as	17 A I am aware that they had a 18 conversation around the sending of a
19 soon as the jury came back if, in fact,	19 material breach notice. I don't know
20 you had won the trial in December; is	20 what detail was discussed in terms of the
21 that fair?	21 letter.
22 A We hadn't decided as to	22 Q Was anyone from ARM in that
23 whether or not we would terminate the	23 conversation?
24 ALA. But we wanted the option. We	24 A Not to my understanding.
25 wanted to be in business with customers	25 Q And you didn't get a report
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2 that respect our contracts.	2 back on what was said?
3 Q Did you know at the time	3 A No.
4 that you sent this letter that the	4 Q Did you talk to Mr. Kranhold
5 Snapdragon Summit, the Qualcomm's	5 or Mr. Siegel in advance of their
6 Snapdragon Summit was in progress?	_
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2 be, do you?	2 asked them. And so that question,
3 A Sorry. Could you repeat	3 I'll let you answer.
4 that?	4 MS. NYARADY: Say that one
5 Q Do you have any information	5 more time. I want to understand the
6 as to what document Mr. King was shown,	6 distinction you're drawing.
7 if any?	7 MR. LoCASCIO: I think your
8 A No. I wasn't on the call.	8 question first was, did you ask
9 Q So how do you know it wasn't	9 Mr. Siegel or Mr. Kranhold? Then I
10 the October 22nd letter?	10 think your question was, did you ever
11 A I don't know whether it was	11 ask anyone? The latter question, I'm
12 or whether it wasn't.	going to instruct him not to answer.
13 Q But previously, you	MS. NYARADY: Thank you for
14 testified that the letter was not leaked.	14 that.
15 And so you don't actually	MR. LoCASCIO: Sure.
16 know is that fair? whether the	16 Q Let's start with
17 letter was leaked?	17 Mr. Kranhold and Mr. Siegel.
18 A Sorry to cut you off. It	18 Did you at any point in time
19 certainly was not leaked by ARM. I think	19 ask either of those two gentlemen whether
20 your question insinuated that ARM leaked	20 or not they showed Ian King at Bloomberg
20 your question instituated that ARM leaked 21 it.	,
	21 the October 22nd, 2024 letter? 22 A No.
22 Q It could be that your	1
23 lawyers leaked it; right?	23 Q Have you asked anyone
24 A They may have; they may not.	24 whether or not the October 22nd letter
25 I don't know.	25 was shown to Ian King at Bloomberg in
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2 Q And FGS Global, that's your	2 advance of his article?
3 like PR communications company; right?	3 MR. LoCASCIO: To the extent
4 A It is a PR firm that we	4 you had conversations with counsel
5 engaged, at or around this time.	5 about this topic, I'm going to
6 Q So your PR firm could have	6 instruct the witness not to answer.
7 leaked it; Mr. Kranhold could have leaked	7 A On that basis, I'm unable to
8 it; right?	8 answer that.
9 A They may have; they may not.	9 Q As you sit here today,
10 Again, I wasn't on the call.	10 though, you do not know whether the
11 Q And you've never asked them	11 letter was shown to Mr. King; is that
12 whether they did that?	12 correct?
13 A I never asked them whether	13 A That is correct.
14 they showed or leaked the letter.	14 Q Why did you authorize
15 Q Why not? We have an entire	15 Mr. Siegel and Mr. Kranhold to speak with
16 lawsuit centered around this leak. You	16 Bloomberg about a communication that you
17 never asked whether or not that happened?	17 had with Qualcomm?
18 MR. LoCASCIO: Object to	18 A We were aware that
19 form. This is a different question	19 throughout the trial, Qualcomm we had
than the last question, Catherine.	20 strong reason to believe that Qualcomm
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•	21 had leaked various stories or placed
conversations you had with counsel in	22 various stories in the press relating to
the matter, I'm going to instruct you	23 this litigation. So therefore, there was
not to answer. The question beforewas, the two individuals, if you	24 a possibility from our standpoint, they25 would do something similar here.
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Exhibit 101

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1	IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT	ŗ
2	FOR THE DISTRICT OF DELAWARE	
	Case No. 24-490-MN	
3	QUALCOMM INCORPORATED a Delaware corporation,)
	QUALCOMM TECHNOLOGIES, INC., a Delaware)
4	corporation,)
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5	Plaintiffs,)
)
6	vs.)
)
7	ARM HOLDINGS PLC, f/k/a ARM LTD., a U.K.)
	corporation,)
8)
	Defendant.)
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10	CONFIDENTIAL ATTORNEYS EYES ONLY VIDEOTAPED I	DEPOSITION
11	OF AMI BADANI	
12	Palo Alto, California	
13	Friday, August 1, 2025	
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16	REPORTED BY: Derek L. Hoagland	
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THE DEPONENT: Yes. 1

- 2 BY MS. DUNN:
- Okay. And you just testified that you had some 3 Q.
- 4 conversation where you became aware or where the
- 5 decision was made to place this story. Who was that
- conversation with? 6
- 7 A. Our legal team.
- Okay. And when you say "our legal team," who 8 Q.
- 9 specifically do you mean?
- 10 Spencer. A.
- Okay. Mr. Collins? 11 Q.
- 12 A. That's right.
- And what do you recall about that conversation? 13 O.
- 14 MR. EMERICK: And I will caution you not to
- 15 reveal the contents of any attorney-client communication
- 16 here that gives or receives legal advice, but if you
- 17 exchanged certain facts outside of that context or if
- 18 you got a directive, then you can testify as to that.
- 19 THE DEPONENT: Okay. To my recollection,
- 20 Spencer and I had a conversation about the letter and --
- 21 and how we wanted to inform our customers and partners
- 22 using a media outlet.
- 23 BY MS. DUNN:
- Okay. And tell me everything that you remember 24 Q.
- 25 about that conversation.

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- 1 MR. EMERICK: Same instruction.
- 2 THE DEPONENT: That -- that's what I remember
- 3 about that conversation.
- 4 BY MS. DUNN:
- 5 Q. Okay. And was it in that conversation that you
- 6 and Mr. Collins decided that the way you wanted to
- inform people about ARM sending this letter to Qualcomm
- was to place this story in Bloomberg? 8
- Yes we wanted to inform customers and partners,
- 10 and we thought that using a media story would be the
- 11 best tactic at that time.
- Okay. And the -- the decision to use the tactic
- 13 of placing this story in Bloomberg was your decision and
- 14 Mr. Collins' decision together?
- 15 A.
- Okay. And -- and who took responsibility for 16 Q.
- 17 implementing the tactic of placing this story in
- 19 MR. EMERICK: Objection. Form.
- THE DEPONENT: Implementing as it relates to? 20
- 21 How would you describe implementing?
- 22 BY MS. DUNN:
- So you and Mr. Collins decide, okay, we're going
- 24 to place this story about the to Qualcomm
- 25 in Bloomberg. What happens next?

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- Someone out -- someone does an outreach to --
- 2 well, we decide who the reporter is, and then someone
- 3 reaches out to that reporter.
- Okay. And how did you decide that the reporter
- was going to be Ian King of Bloomberg?
- I made that decision based on Ian's knowledge of 6 A.
- 7 the business.
- 8 Q. Okay. And you know Paul Kranhold of FGS?
- 9 A. I do.
- 10 Q. Okay. And he was part of the FGS relationship,
- 11 reporting up to you in this circumstance?
- 12 A. Yes, I believe so.
- 13 O. Okay.
- 14 A. I don't know all the dynamics of the FGS team,
- but I believe that's sort of how it works. 15
- 16 Q. Okay. Mr. Kranhold has already testified in
- this litigation that FGS showed Ian King the notice 17
- 18 letter on a call on October 22nd, 2024.
- 19 Are you aware of that?
- 20 A. I was not aware.
- 21 O. Okay. Now, so there's already -- given that and
- 22 other evidence in this case, there's substantial
- 23 evidence that -- that when Bloomberg writes, "According
- to a document seen by Bloomberg, they're -- that's 24
- talking about the notice letter. Do you have any reason

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- 1 to believe that that's not true?
- 2 MR. EMERICK: Objection. Form.
- THE DEPONENT: I was not involved. You would
- 4 have to ask Paul.
- 5 MS. DUNN: Okay. So we did ask Paul, and he
- said that they showed Bloomberg the notice letter. And
- 7 FGS reports to you, so I just wanted to make sure that
- 8 you have no knowledge to the contrary that this
- 9 Bloomberg article is not referring specifically to the
- 10 notice letter.
- 11 MR. EMERICK: Objection. Form.
- 12 THE DEPONENT: To my knowledge, we -- we spoke
- 13 briefly. It was mainly the conversation between Spencer
- and Paul. Those two were speaking often and regularly,
- 15 but I wasn't involved with Paul directly on this matter.
- 16 BY MS. DUNN:
- 17 O. Okay. So let me unpack that.
- 18 So you have already testified that you and
- 19 Mr. Collins talked about the strategy of placing this
- article in Bloomberg, and then you testified that you 20
- were the one to select Mr. King. And I think you just
- 22 said that you and Mr. Collins then spoke to Mr. Kranhold
- 23 of FGS. Do I have that right?
- 24 MR. EMERICK: Objection. Form.
- 25 THE DEPONENT: I don't remember if we both spoke

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Page 42 1 to Paul or if it was just Spencer directly. 2 BY MS. DUNN: Okay. And what do you know about Mr. Collins 3 Q. 4 and perhaps also your conversation with Mr. Kranhold? I just remember us having a conversation about 6 the fact that we wanted to inform customers and partners 7 of the letter that was served to Qualcomm. Okay. And what do you remember was told to 9 Mr. Kranhold about -- about how to execute the tactic in 11 MR. EMERICK: Objection. Form. 12 THE DEPONENT: All I remember was we discussed 13 making sure Ian is informed of the facts of why we 14 served the notice. 15 BY MS. DUNN: 16 Q. Okay. And did you know that FGS was going to 17 show Mr. King the notice letter? 18 A. No. Until you just told me, I wasn't even aware 19 that the letter was shown. Okay. Now that you know that it was, is that 21 something that you should have approved? 22 MR. EMERICK: Objection. Form. 23 THE DEPONENT: Not necessarily. We trust our 24 media partners to do the right thing. 25 BY MS. DUNN: Page 43 Okay. So -- so if -- your testimony is that if 2 FGS showed Mr. King the notice letter, as Mr. Kranhold 3 has testified, that wouldn't concern you because you 4 trust your vendors, in this case FGS, to do the right 5 thing? MR. EMERICK: Objection. Form. 6 7 THE DEPONENT: That's right. 8 BY MS. DUNN: Okay. And if Mr. Collins was aware that 10 Mr. Kranhold was going to show Mr. King the notice 11 letter, he -- Mr. Collins never let you know that? 12 A. Yes. 13 Q. All right. Now, are you aware that the terms of 14 the Qualcomm ALA are confidential and cannot be 15 disclosed? MR. EMERICK: Objection. Form. 16 THE DEPONENT: I am not aware. 17 18 BY MS. DUNN: Okay. So the first time you would have heard 19 Q. 20 that the terms of Qualcomm's ALA are confidential is right now when I'm telling you this, right? 22. MR. EMERICK: Objection. Form. 22

Page 44 1 talking to Bloomberg about the notice letter and about he didn't tell you that the Qualcomm ALA, , are confidential? 3 including the 4 A. Not to my knowledge. 5 Q. Okay. This is the first time you're learning 6 that? 7 A. That's right. 8 Q. Okay. All right. And so as head of marketing 9 and communications at ARM, you are unaware of ARM's 10 confidentiality -- confidentiality obligations under its 11 ALAs? 12 A. We make sure our partners and customers 13 information is always confidential, but in terms of particulars of certain contracts, I don't know what's 15 specifically in those contracts. 16 O. Okay. So when you talked to -- strike that. 17 So as head of marketing and communications at 18 ARM, when you oversaw FGS reaching out to Mr. King about the notice letter, you were unaware that the Qualcomm ALA prohibits any of its terms being disclosed, 20 including the 21 22 MR. EMERICK: Objection. Form. 23 THE DEPONENT: Repeat the question. 24 BY MS. DUNN: 25 Q. As head of marketing and communications at ARM, Page 45 1 when you oversaw FGS reaching out to Bloomberg about the 2 notice letter, you were unaware that the Qualcomm ALA 3 prohibits any of its terms being disclosed, including 5 MR. EMERICK: Objection. Form. THE DEPONENT: I don't know any of the specifics 6 7 of the contracts or the details of the language in any of our ALA contracts. BY MS. DUNN: Okay. But -- so having no knowledge of any 11 details of the contracts, including no knowledge of the 12 confidentiality provisions, you went ahead and authorized FGS to -- to disclose the fact of the notice 14 letter to Bloomberg? MR. EMERICK: Objection. Form. 15 16 BY MS. DUNN: 17 O. Correct? I always have the legal team involved in any of these conversations, so you would have to ask the legal 20 team in terms of our confidentiality provisions, and they were on phone calls with us, around advising around

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23 Q.

specifically this article.

Okay. And on any phone call that you were on

24 with FGS and the legal team advising about specifically

25 this article, do you recall anybody at any time raising

24 BY MS. DUNN:

THE DEPONENT: That's right.

Okay. So when you and Mr. Collins spoke about

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25 Q.

Page 46 Page 48 1 the confidentiality obligations under the Qualcomm ARM 1 BY MS. DUNN: 2 ALA? Okay. So if FGS disclosed confidential 3 MR. EMERICK: Objection. Form. 3 information in violation of ARM's own contract, that 4 THE DEPONENT: I don't recall. 4 would be the responsibility of the legal team, not of 5 BY MS. DUNN: 5 you? 6 Q. Okay. And you are -- you testified that you 6 MR. EMERICK: Objection. Form. 7 were on many phone calls with the legal team and -- and 7 THE DEPONENT: That's right. I mean, I don't 8 FGS specifically with respect to this article. What do 8 know all of our confidentiality provisions in our 9 you recall being said on those many phone calls that you 9 contracts in particular. That would be up to the legal 10 attended? 10 team. 11 MR. EMERICK: Objection. Form. 11 BY MS. DUNN: 12 Mischaracterizes. 12 O. Okay. All right. Now, why did you not speak to 13 THE DEPONENT: I said that I was on calls with 13 Mr. King about the October 22nd letter yourself? 14 our legal team around our media strategy. Whether FGS It's based on who has relationships. 14 A. 15 was involved in those calls or not, I don't remember. 15 O. Okay. And here the people who spoke to --16 BY MS. DUNN: 16 strike that. 17 O. Okay. So far, the only call you have told us 17 You're the one who selected Mr. King, but the 18 about with respect to the media strategy and this 18 two people who spoke to him were Mr. Siegel, a lawyer at 19 the law firm Morrison & Foerster, and Mr. Kranhold. Why 19 article was the one call you have had with Mr. Collins. 20 What other calls do you remember having with the legal 20 was it decided that Mr. Siegel and Mr. Kranhold were better to talk to Mr. King than you would be? 21 team about this article? 21 22 A. There were ongoing conversations with the legal 22 MR. EMERICK: Objection. Form. 23 THE DEPONENT: It's based on who has the right team around how we should respond to inbound requests from reporters post the article going live. 24 relationships with the media. 24 25 25 /// O. Okay. Now, earlier you said that you trust Page 47 Page 49 1 the -- the communications firms working for you, like 1 BY MS. DUNN: 2 FGS, to do the right thing. As the person who Okay. And who had the relationship in this 3 supervise -- supervises those firms as being -- as ARM's 3 circumstance? 4 agents, do you ever train them on their confidentiality 4 A. To my recollection, it was Paul. 5 obligations under ARM's contracts? 5 Okay. Now, you were aware before you made the MR. EMERICK: Objection. Form. decision to publicize the notice letter that publicizing 7 THE DEPONENT: Confidentiality provisions, what 7 the possibility of terminating the Qualcomm ALA could 8 do you mean train them on that? Just... 8 harm Qualcomm's business, right? 9 9 BY MS. DUNN: MR. EMERICK: Objection. Objection. Form. 10 THE DEPONENT: That the -- the point of the Yeah. So as the person who is responsible at 11 ARM for what the consulting firms like FGS are doing on 11 media article was to inform our customers and partners 12 ARM's behalf, do you ever train them on their 12 that we had served Qualcomm a notice of breach. 13 confidentiality obligations under ARM's contracts? 13 MS. DUNN: Move to strike as nonresponsive. 14 MR. EMERICK: Objection. Form. 14 BY MS. DUNN: 15 THE DEPONENT: They know to keep confidential 15 Q. My question is --16 matters confidential. MR. EMERICK: Motion opposed. 16 17 BY MS. DUNN: 17 BY MS. DUNN: Okay. And specifically in this instance, how is 18 O. Whether you were -- my question is whether you 19 FGS going to know to keep confidential contract terms were aware that publicizing the possibility of 20 confidential if no one had ever told them that they were 20 terminating the Qualcomm ALA could hurt -- could hurt 21 confidential and the person who supervised them has 21 Oualcomm's business. 22 never seen the contract? 22 MR. EMERICK: Objection. Form. 23 23 THE DEPONENT: To my knowledge, we -- our goal MR. EMERICK: Objection. Form.

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24 was to make sure that our customers and partners were

25 informed, and that was our singular goal.

THE DEPONENT: You would have to ask our legal

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25 team.

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4 Q. Okay. And who participates in the conversation

5 you're referring to?

6 A. Richard G. makes that decision.

- 7 Q. Okay. But who -- when you're talking about
- 8 ongoing discussions, who are the participants in those
- 9 discussions?
- 10 A. I don't recall. But I'm sure Richard G. is
- 11 involved.
- 12 Q. Okay. And at what point would you get involved?
- 13 A.
- 15 Q. Okay. But if ARM had spoken to certain
- 16 customers you might not necessarily
- 17 know about that?
- 18 A. That's right.
- 19 Q. Okay.
- 20 MS. DUNN: All right. Let's show Ms. Badani, I
- 21 guess -- what is it? 7?
- MS. HARTLEY: 6.
- MS. DUNN: Oh, okay. Let's show Ms. Badani
- 24 Badani 6.
- 25 (Exhibit No. 6 marked for identification.)

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- 1 second down from the top, it says:
- 2 "The twist this week came as Qualcomm unveiled
- 3 its first well-received smartphone chip based on Nuvia's
- 4 technology, as well as its use of the technology in
- 5 cars."
- 6 Do you see that?
- 7 A. Yes, I see that line.
- 8 Q. And that is referring to, when it says "Qualcomm
- 9 unveiled, it's talking about the Snapdragon Summit that
- 10 Qualcomm has every year. You -- you know that, right?
- 11 MR. EMERICK: Objection to form.
- 12 THE DEPONENT: You have to ask Richard Waters
- 13 what he meant by that statement.
- 14 BY MS. DUNN:
- 15 Q. Okay. You're unaware that Qualcomm has a huge
- 16 event every year called the Snapdragon event where it
- 17 unveils new products?
- 18 MR. EMERICK: Objection to form.
- 19 THE DEPONENT: I am aware they have an annual
- 20 event, yes.
- 21 BY MS. DUNN:
- 22 Q. Okay. Mr. Waters' article goes on to say:
- 23 "ARM's response a day later was stunning in its
- 24 severity."
- 25 Do you see that?

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- 2 Q. Okay. So, Ms. Badani, this is an email thread
- 3 between you, Ms. Al-Qattan from FGS, Mr. Collins and
- 4 others from ARM, continuing to discuss media strategy
- 5 with respect to the notice letter. And if you look at
- 6 the last page of the document, you can see that this
- 7 chain starts with Mr. Collins, the company's chief legal
- 8 officer circulating a Financial Times story by
- 9 Richard Waters.

1 BY MS. DUNN:

- 10 Do you see that?
- 11 A. Yes.
- 12 Q. And do you recall that Mr. Haas had spoken to
- 13 the Financial Times before this piece came out?
- 14 A. Vaguely.
- 15 Q. Okay. You vaguely recall that Mr. Waters was
- 16 one of the reporters who Mr. Haas talked to after the
- 17 Bloomberg story came out, correct?
- 18 A. I don't remember the timing, but I know that
- 19 Rene and Mr. Waters have spoken in the past.
- 20 Q. Okay. And do you see in -- if you look, you see
- 21 where Mr. Collins circulates the FT piece on the page
- 22 marked 984 at the bottom?
- 23 Do you see that?
- 24 A. Yes.
- 25 Q. Okay. And you see a paragraph near the top, the

- 1 A. Yes
- 2 Q. And would you agree with Mr. Waters' assessment
- 3 that ARM's response with the notice letter was stunning
- 4 in its severity?
- 5 A. You would have to ask Mr. Waters.
- 6 Q. I'm asking whether you agree with Mr. Waters.
- 7 A. I don't have context around what he means by
- 8 severity and stunning, so it's a lot of words.
- 9 Q. Yeah. Just to be clear, I am not asking what he
- 10 means. I'm asking whether you agree with it.
- 11 MR. EMERICK: Objection. Form.
- 12 THE DEPONENT: I'm not going to comment on
- 13 stunning in its severity. Yes, we did respond with the
- 14 letter, as we discussed earlier.
- 15 BY MS. DUNN:
- 16 Q. And do you see he issued official notice, plans
- 17 to cancel a key to Qualcomm in 60 days time, cutting off
- 18 that company's ability to ship chips based on anything
- 19 other than ARM design cores?
- 20 Do you see that?
- 21 A. Yes.
- 22 Q. Okay. And if you look at the next email in the
- 23 chain, which is again from Mr. Collins, he is responding
- 24 to this article from the FT, and he says:
- 25 "It makes the point that Qualcomm has more to

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1 lose than ARM, but it's otherwise neutral." 2 Do you see that?

3 A. Yes.

- 4 O. Right. So you see that Mr. Collins responds to
- 5 this article that talked about ARM's plans to cancel a
- 6 key license to Qualcomm in 60 days as that the article
- 7 is neutral. You see that?
- That's what -- that's what Spencer is saying
- 9 here, yes.
- 10 Q. Right. And Mr. Collins goes on to say:
- "We need something stronger out there, in my 11
- 12 opinion."
- 13 Do you see that?
- 14 A. Yes.
- 15 Q. And when Mr. Collins wrote to you and others,
- 16 including Ms. Al-Qattan at FGS and other members of the
- 17 communications team and Mr. Haas, that we need something
- stronger out there, what did you take him to mean by
- something stronger?
- MR. EMERICK: Objection to form. 20
- 21 THE DEPONENT: I don't know. You will have to
- 22 ask Spencer.
- 23 BY MS. DUNN:
- 24 Q. Okay. I'm not asking what he meant. I'm asking
- 25 what you, a recipient of this email, understood him to

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1 Mr. Collins, but you can't understand Mr. Collins' email

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- 2 to you without talking to him on the phone?
- 3 MR. EMERICK: Objection to form.
- THE DEPONENT: That's right. The emails require 4
- 5 context.
- 6 BY MS. DUNN:
- Okay. So maybe the context of Ms. Catan's
- response will help you understand what you took
- Mr. Collins to mean.
- 10 So she responds, "We strive to achieve favorable
- coverage, though we are past following our strong first
- 12 move. So it is unlikely that any reputable publication
- will write a new one-sided piece that only reflects our
- perspective tomorrow, or generally, for that matter." 14
 - Does Ms. Al-Qattan's response help you
- 16 understand or help you formulate an answer as to what
- you understand Mr. Collins to mean? 17
- 18 A. I do not.

15

- 19 Okay. And do you understand when Ms. Al-Qattan
- 20 says "our strong first move," do you have -- as a
- recipient of this email, do you have an understanding 21
- 22 what she was talking about?
- 23 A. I do not. You would have to ask her.
- Okay. Now, in this email, we can tell that 24 Q.
- 25 Mr. Collins is circulating the piece from the Financial

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- 2 A. Okay. And sitting here today, what do you think Q.
- he meant?

1 mean.

- 5 I don't know. I would have to think through it. A.
- Q. Okay. And you are unable to think through it 6
- 7 sitting here today under oath?

I don't recall.

- Yes. I mean, I -- I think he just said he 8 A.
- wanted something stronger. So I'm not sure what that
- 10 means. I would have to have a conversation with
- 11 Spencer.
- 12 Q. Okay. So your testimony is that in order to
- 13 understand what Mr. Spencer meant in an email that you
- 14 received, you would have to further talk to Mr. Spencer
- 15 to understand what you think he's saying?
- 16 A. Yes.
- 17 Q. Is there anything else that Mr. Spencer writes
- 18 in here that you could understand just simply by reading
- 19 the email, without having to have a conversation with
- 20 him?
- 21 MR. EMERICK: Objection to form.
- 22. THE DEPONENT: The Financial Times article.
- 23 BY MS. DUNN:
- Okay. So you can understand the Financial Times
- article without an additional conversation with

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- 1 Times, and he's also directing additional communications 2 strategy. What was Mr. Collins' role in overseeing the
- 3 communications strategy with respect to the notice
- 4 letter?
- 5 I don't know the ins and outs of what Spencer
- was specifically responsible for beyond serving up the
- 7 letter to Qualcomm.
- Okay. But you had previously testified that you
- had numerous conversations with Mr. Collins about the
- 10 media strategy?
- 11 A. That's right.
- 12 O. So can you explain what his role was in the
- 13 media's -- in dictating the media's strategy?
- 14 We discussed the letter, the facts of the
- 15 letter, and we discussed our media strategy was to
- 16 inform customers and partners through the media and give
- our perspective. So that's all I can recollect from --17
- from my conversations with Spencer at the time.
- And Mr. Collins here is, in part, directing FGS 19 Q. 20 and you that we need something stronger than this FT
- 21 piece.
- 22 Did -- was Mr. Collins involved in directing
- 23 media strategy during this time?
- 24 A. Can you define directing?
- 25 O. However you would define it.

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Exhibit 102

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2	IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
	FOR THE DISTRICT OF DELAWARE
3	C.A. No. 24-490-MN
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6	corporation, QUALCOMM TECHNOLOGIES, INC.,
7	a Delaware corporation,
8	Plaintiffs,
9	- against -
10	ARM HOLDINGS PLC., f/k/a ARM LTD., a U.K.
11	corporation
12	Defendant.
13	х
14	July 4, 2025
15	1:18 p.m.
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17	*HIGHLY CONFIDENTIAL*
18	VIDEOTAPED DEPOSITION of
19	KENNETH SIEGEL, held at the offices of PAUL
20	WEISS RIFKIND WHARTON & GARRISON, LLP, located
21	at 1285 Avenue of the Americas, New York, New
22	York 10019, before Danielle Grant, a Certified
23	Realtime Reporter and a Notary Public of the
24	State ofNew York.
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1	yeah, draft communications regarding an		2	1 1	
3	alleged breach of the Qualcomm ALA?		3	to answer if you're not going to let	
4	MR. WILCOX: I'm going to		4	him answer, but I am not going to	
5	instruct caution the witness that		5	agree not to ask my questions based	
6	you can answer to the extent it		6	on the communications that the	
7	doesn't reveal privileged		7	parties have had. You know, you know	
8	attorney-client communications		8	our positions to the objections.	
9	between Arm and Morrison & Foerster.		9	So	
10	A Yes. I think I saw, early in the		10		
	process when Qualcomm did not take did		11	last stated you asked for the topics	
12	not get the consent, did not negotiate a		12	related to the disclosure of the	
13	consent for the Nvidia acquisition. I		13	press briefings, and he's here to	
14	think there were draft letters and letters		14	provide testimony on that today.	
15	sent to Qualcomm alleging a breach. And I		15	MS. NYARADY: I don't think	
1	think I saw drafts of those. I don't		16	they're limited to that. But that's	
17	believe I saw other communications alleging		17	okay. I take your point, and I think	
1	a breach after that.		18	you take my point. But	
19	Q And just to be clear if you		19	* * * * * * * * * * * * * * * * * * * *	
20	recall, the early letters, would those have		20		
	been alleging a breach of the Nuvia ALA or		21	caution about you can answer the	
	the Qualcomm ALA?		22		
23	MR. BIRNBAUM: I'm going to		23	involve revealing attorney-client	
24			24		
25	agreed-upon topics is this relating		25	* **	
23				between Morrison & Foerster and 74m.	
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$\frac{2}{3}$	MS. NYARADY: This is		3	A And what was the question.	
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4	background.		4		
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5	MR. BIRNBAUM: A little leeway		5	You were talking about the	
6	here, but we're not going to get into		6	seeing some early communications.	
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2 instruction? 2 privileged conversations he had in	
3 A Yes. 3 his role as a lawyer. If you wanted	
4 Q Do you know why the letter was 4 to ask Arm witnesses that question,	
5 timed to be sent on October 22? 5 they could, I think, answer that.	
6 A Arm determined to send it 60 days 6 But I don't think you can get it	
7 before the end of the trial was my 7 before the end of the trial was my 7 through Mr. Siegel.	
8 understanding. Yeah. 8 MS. NYARADY: So you're takin	na
9 Q Were you involved at all in the 9 the position that it must have been	ng
10 process or approving the sending of this 10 communicated requesting legal advice	202
11 letter? 11 MR. WILCOX: That was the	
12 MR. WILCOX: That's a yes-or-no 12 caution I gave him, and he said the	
13 answer just to be clear. 12 caution 1 gave min, and he said the 13 only way he could to do it was by	
14 A No. 14 revealing communications that were	
 Q So you weren't a decision-maker in terms of sending this letter? murveying legal advice. MS. NYARADY: But the caution 	n
17 A No. 17 you gave him was not to reveal	11
18 Q Just to be clear. 18 anything that involved a conversation	n
19 A I was not. 19 or communication, right, with	11
20 Q Did you know that the letter was 20 counsel. That doesn't necessarily	
21 sent in the middle of the Qualcomm 21 make it privileged.	
22 Snapdragon summit where Qualcomm has its 22 MR. WILCOX: Okay. How abo	11t
23 yearly big announcement of new products? 23 you ask the question again. I'll	ut
24 MR. BIRNBAUM: Object to form. 24 give an instruction that will be	
You can answer. 25 clear what the bounds are, and then	
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2 A I was aware that that conference 2 we can see what his answer is.	
3 was going on at the same time. 3 MS. NYARADY: Okay.	
4 Q And you were aware before the 4 Q Do you know if others at Arm w	vere
5 letter went out? 5 aware that this letter was being sent	
6 during the Qualcomm Snapdragon sum	mit?
7 Q And do you know if others at Arm 7 MR. WILCOX: I'll instruct you	
8 were aware of the timing issues? 8 that you can answer only to the	
9 MR. WILCOX: And I'll instruct 9 extent that you're not revealing	
you that you can answer only to the 10 attorney-client communications in th	ie
extent that you're not revealing 11 context of Arm seeking legal advice	
12 attorney-client communications. 12 from Morrison & Foerster.	
13 MR. BIRNBAUM: And I'll just 13 THE WITNESS: So can you rest	ate
14 object to the form. 14 your instruction to me again?	
15 A I think everything I know is 15 MR. WILCOX: Yeah. So you ca	an
16 privileged on that topic, would have been 16 answer as long as answering the	
17 part of a legal conversation I suspect. 17 question doesn't reveal conversations	s
MS. NYARADY: And, Jason, you're 18 you had in the context of providing	
19 alleging privilege over whether 19 legal advice to Arm.	
20 people knew that the conference was 20 A Yes.	
21 going on? 21 Q So the answer	1
MR. WILCOX: The only way the 22 A I'm aware that somebody I am	
22 MR. WILCOX: The only way the 22 A I'm aware that somebody I am 23 witness would know that if Morrison & 23 aware that someone else knew that, yes.	
22 MR. WILCOX: The only way the 22 A I'm aware that somebody I am	at

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2 or screenshare? Or I don't know	2 that he may either share or send that
3 if you're talking about something	3 letter to Ian King at Bloomberg, right?
4 transmitted or not. That's the only	4 A Correct.
5 reason I'm	5 Q Were you authorized by Arm to do
6 A Either he showed it to him on the	6 that?
7 screen, or he sent it to him. I'm not sure	7 A Yes.
8 that he actually transmitted a copy in any	8 Q So Arm was aware that this letter
9 form to him.	9 may be shared, and had authorized the
10 Q Okay. Fair enough?	10 sharing of this letter with Mr. King at
11 A To Ian.	11 Bloomberg?
12 Q Thanks for the clarification.	MR. BIRNBAUM: Object to form.
13 A Yeah.	13 A They had authorized providing it
14 Q And just to make sure I'm	14 to Paul for purposes of responding if the
15 understanding the course of events and that	15 reporter who is briefed needed to know that
16 we have a clean record, you didn't show or	16 it had actually been sent. With the caveat
17 share any document or portion of a document	17 that they prefer not to have it be sent to
18 to Mr. King at Bloomberg, did you?	18 him.
19 A Correct, I did not.	19 Q Do you know why they preferred
20 Q Why do you know why Arm did	20 that it not be sent to him?
21 not join the briefing call?	A I think it was just a preference
22 MR. BIRNBAUM: Objection to	22 to not, you know, have it out more than it
23 form.	23 would otherwise be out.
24 A I don't.	Q Okay, but they A It wasn't I wasn't told
25 Q Do you recall any conversations	25 A It wasn't I wasn't told
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2 around whether or not and to start, you	2 specifically, yeah.
3 can say yes or no.	3 Q But Arm understood that this
4 But do you recall any	4 letter would potentially be shown or
5 conversations around whether or not Arm	5 provided to Ian King at Bloomberg, correct?
6 should join that call?	6 A Correct.
7 A No.	7 MR. BIRNBAUM: Objection to
8 Q Have you had calls like this	8 form. Sorry.
9 before on behalf of her clients?	9 Q So on the second page of
10 A Yes.	10 Exhibit 9, this is, we're in the King
11 Q In those instances, would it be	11 Bloomberg article. I know you have been
12 common for the client in question to join	12 saying that the letter was shared, and,
13 the briefing, or is that not typical?	13 again, I don't mean to imply that it
14 MR. BIRNBAUM: Object to form.	14 absolutely was sent.
15 A Not in my experience.	15 A Yeah.
16 Q So typically, they don't join?	16 Q In some form it was shared with
17 A Typically, they haven't joined.	17 Bloomberg.
18 MR. BIRNBAUM: Object to form.	18 A Mm-hmm.
For the benefit of the court	Q At the top of the second page, it
20 reporter, so I don't speak over you,	20 says, Arm confirmed that it sent the notice
21 take a beat.	21 in a statement Wednesday, and I believe
22 A In my experience, typically, they	22 well, you were saying that the document
23 have not joined.	23 that was that's referred to on page 1
-	24 was just for confirmation that it that
24 Q Now, you provided a copy of the 25 October 22 letter to Mr. Kranhold, knowing	24 was just for confirmation that it that 25 the letter had been sent, right?

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2 MR. BIRNBAUM: Object to form.	2 Q Do you know if anyone at Morrison
3 Q I know this is a terrible	3 & Foerster did?
4 question. I'm not really making sense.	4 A I'm not aware that anyone saw the
5 A Yeah.	5 article.
6 Q But my point is, on the first	6 Q Are you aware of whether anyone
7 page, he says, I saw a document	7 at FGS Global saw a draft of the article
8 A Right, yes.	8 before it came out?
9 Q is how I'm reporting this.	9 A I'm not aware of that.
10 Separately, on the second page, it says Arm	10 Q All right. Can we take a quick
11 confirmed that it sent the notice in a	11 break?
12 statement Wednesday. So it seems like	12 A Sure.
13 there's a document that was shown, perhaps	13 VIDEOGRAPHER: We're going to go
14 for some purposes other than confirming	off record. The time is 2:39 p.m.
15 that it was sent, and then there was a	This concludes Media Unit Number 3.
16 statement on Wednesday that it was sent.	16 (Whereupon, at 2:39 p.m., a recess
17 Does that refresh your	was taken to 3:01 p.m.)
18 recollection in any way of any	18 (The proceeding resumed with all
19 A No.	parties present.)
20 Q other documents that may have	20 VIDEOGRAPHER: We're back on
21 been shown to Bloomberg or timing of such?	21 record. The time is 3:01 p.m., and
22 A No. It was my recollection	22 this is the start of Media Unit
23 is, it was it was either sent or made	23 Number 4.
24 visible on the screen to Ian to show that	24 Q Do you recall when you first
25 it had been sent so he knew it had been	25 reached out to Mr. Kranhold about the Arm
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2 sent, and that this was not something that	2 matter?
3 could happen or might happen, but actually	3 A I think it was in the middle of
4 was happening. And that was the reason for	4 October.
5 that step. And I'm not sure what the	5 Q So let me show you what's been
6 separate statement here that he may be	6 marked as MOFO 10.
7 referring to would be.	7 A Yeah.
8 Q Okay. And whenever that was sent	8 (Whereupon, a Document,
9 or shown, you weren't present, correct?	9 Bates-stamped MOFO_ARMQC_00000004
10 A Correct.	was marked as MOFO Exhibit No. 10
11 Q So you don't know which if it	for identification, as of this
12 was just a showing of the document, you	date.)
13 don't know which part of it was shown to	13 Q This is an email you sent on
14 him, do you?	14 Saturday, October 12. The first email at
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15 A I don't.	15 the bottom. The Bates number is MOFO ARM
15 A I don't.16 Q Do you recall how long the call	16 QC004 to 005.
 15 A I don't. 16 Q Do you recall how long the call 17 was that you had with Mr. King? 	16 QC004 to 005. 17 And you're reaching out to
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3	QUALCOMM INCORPORATED a Delaware corporation			
	QUALCOMM TECHNOLOGIES, INC., a Delaware			
4	corporation,)		
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5	Plaintiffs,)		
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6	vs.)		
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7	ARM HOLDINGS PLC, f/k/a ARM LTD., a U.K.)		
	corporation,)		
8)		
	Defendant.)		
9)		
10	CONFIDENTIAL ATTORNEYS EYES ONLY VIDEOTAPED 30(b)(6) and			
11	30(b)(1) DEPOSITION OF PAUL KRANHOLD			
12	San Francisco, California			
13	Thursday, July 17, 2025			
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16	REPORTED BY: Derek L. Hoaglar	nd		
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1	MS. NYARADY: Okay.	1	A. Correct.		
2	BY MS. NYARADY:	2	Q. Okay. Do you know whether anyone was on that		
3	Q. And it has metadata from a call, and in the	3	call other than Mr. Spicehandler and Mr. King?		
4	metadata, you can see that Mr. Spicehandler is listed as	4	A. I do not.		
5	joining the call and leaving the call, and Mr. King	5	Q. What did you said you spoke to		
6	is is listed as joining and leaving the call, right?	6	Mr. Spicehandler in preparation for this deposition,		
7	A. Mm-hmm. Mm-hmm.	7	right?		
8	Q. Is this the do you know if this is a record	8	A. Mm-hmm.		
9	of the call that Mr. Spicehandler had with Mr. King	9	Q. Yes?		
10	where Mr. Spicehandler shared the October 22nd letter	10	A. Yes. I'm sorry.		
11	with Mr. King?	11	Q. What what did he tell you?		
12	A. Yes. It's a pretty good guess, but I don't know	12	A. He confirmed for me that he had, in fact, done		
13	specific there would be no reason other reason for	13	what I asked him to do, which was to initiate a		
14	Ben to be having a is this a record of a video call?	14	communication with Ian King where he would show him a		
15	Q. I can't tell from the document.	15	screenshot of the letter that we're talking about.		
16	A. Okay.	16	Q. Did he show him the entire letter? I believe		
17	Q. I don't know.	17	there's a front and a back. I just that's what I'm		
18	A. The only yeah. The way that we create video	18	getting at.		
19	calls on our system, you you would copy	19	A. I don't know.		
20	yourself in order to put it on your calendar as a video	20	Q. Did he show him both sides?		
21	call, so I think it's a pretty good guess. And the way	21	A. I don't know.		
22	that Ben described it to me is a very short video call,	22	Q. Do you have any more information on what		
23	so I think that's a and given the timing, I think	23	Mr. Spicehandler showed Mr. King?		
24	that's a pretty good guess.	24	A. He said that's all he did when I spoke to him		
25	Q. And it	25	about it.		
23	Q. Find it	23			
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1	A. But I I haven't seen the document before, and	1	Q. So he said that he showed him a screenshot of		
2	I haven't talked to Ben about about the specific time	2	the letter, of the October 22nd letter?		
3	of day that that happened, so.	3	A. Yes.		
4	Q. Okay. But on October 22nd, at some point in	4	Q. Okay. Did he say that if he showed him any		
5	time, Mr. Spicehandler had a call of some sort with	5	other documents on this call?		
6	Mr. King where he showed Mr. King the October 22nd	6	A. He did not.		
7	letter as sent, correct?	7	Q. He did not show him any other documents or he		
8	A. Yeah, I don't I don't it looks like the	8	did not say?		
9	call took place on October 22nd UTC, but this meeting	9	A. He did not say. I'm sorry.		
10	looks like it was scheduled on the 23rd, which doesn't	10	Q. Okay. That's my fault. Bad question.		
11	make any sense to me, because the email was sent on the	11	You understand that the Bloomberg article, when		
12	23rd for a meeting that had already taken place.	12	it published, said that Mr. King said that he had seen a		
13	Q. Right. No. My understanding was this was just	13	document. Is it your understanding that the document he		
14	memorializing that the meeting had happened. But I	14	was referring to is the actual October 22nd letter?		
15	but, you know, if you haven't seen this, that's fine.	15	A. Yes.		
16	But putting aside this document, is it your	16	Q. Did you get a draft of the article before		
17	understanding that on October 22nd, before the article	17	publication?		
18	came out, Mr. Spicehandler had a session with Mr. King	18	A. No.		
19	during which he showed Mr. King the October 22nd letter	19	Q. Were you able to propose any changes to the		
20	that was sent from ARM to Qualcomm?	20	article before publication?		
21	A. Somewhere in this general timeframe, before the	21	A. No.		
22	article was published, he did just that.	22	Q. Did Mr. Spicehandler tell you whether there was		
23	Q. Okay. So it was after you and Mr. Siegel talked	23	any discussion between him and Mr. King regarding the		
24	to Mr. King but before the article was published	24	substance of the letter?		

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No. As I Recall, Ben said it was a pretty quick

25 A.

24 substance of the letter?

25 correct?

24 to Mr. King, but before the article was published,

CONFIDENTIAL ATTORNEYS EYES ONLY Page 106 Page 108 1 (Exhibit No. 13 marked for identification.) 1 Number is FGS_162 to 163, and this is on October 22nd. 2 MS. NYARADY: Oops. Which is Bates numbered 2 BY MS. NYARADY: 3 ARMQC_2770408 to 409. This is an email chain that is 3 Now, you're emailing Christina Passariello at tracking -- if you go to the -- the bottom, the first NBC Universal, right? 5 email, it looks like you're emailing Mr. Hughes, the 5 THE DEPONENT: Yeah. That's her email address. 6 head of communications, right, at the time, at ARM, That's -- she's a -- she -- I believe her title is the 6 forwarding a Bloomberg news article where -- it says bureau chief in San Francisco for CNBC. regarding the ARM chief, Haas. BY MS. NYARADY: 8 9 BY MS. NYARADY: 9 This is someone who I assume you knew before you 10 Q. That's Mr. Rene Haas, who is the CEO of ARM, 10 sent this email, or is this someone -right? A. Ves 11 11 12 A. Yes. 12 O. Okay. So you knew her, had occasion to work with her before? 13 O. So your -- your group is actively tracking press 13 14 regarding ARM and the ARM-Qualcomm dispute. Is that 14 A. Correct. accurate? 15 Interact with her? 15 O. 16 A. Yes. 16 A. Yes. 17 Q. Okay. And you're forwarding this to Mr. Hughes 17 O. Okay. So after the Bloomberg article comes out, 18 and you say: 18 you forward her a copy of the article and you say --19 subject is Wow, right? "Not much news coming out of London event, 19 20 apparently. Did they ask him about Qualcomm 20 A. Yep. 21 litigation?" 21 Q. Okay. And then you say: 22 Why are you asking Mr. Hughes about whether or 22 "This is a really big development that could 23 23 impact a lot of the advanced chips in the latest PCs and not Mr. Haas was asked about the Qualcomm litigation? 24 24 Well, number one, it's one of the highest 25 25 profile things going at the company. And those are referring to Qualcomm chips in PCs Page 107 Page 109 1 Number two, I believe I -- me or Ben -- I don't and phones, right? 2 A. Yes. know what time stamp this is, what time zone this is, but there's a high likelihood that we have already 3 Okay. And then you say: engaged with Ian King of Bloomberg at this time. So I 4 "Trial comes in December, but notice of 5 think I was curious as to whether or not Ian had honored 5 termination has been sent." his agreement not to share this widely within Bloomberg. So --7 7 And evidence that he had not would have been if one of A. Correct. his peers in London had asked Rene about the litigation 8 -- after the Bloomberg article comes out, you do 8 or potentially even the termination notice at this a round of these. We're going to look at a few others. I mean, you're out trying to push this to -- externally 10 Bloomberg event that Rene was apparently at. 10 11 Q. At the very top, there's a final email from 11 to members of the press, trying to get traction for the 12 someone named Eliza Walsh to you. 12 story, right? 13 Do you see that? I wouldn't say traction. I was not encouraging 13 14 A. Mm-hmm. other journalists to write about it. I -- it goes back 15 Q. Who is Eliza Walsh? to what I said before, which is the -- this is a pretty She's a member of Phil Hughes -- well, was a complicated world to cover. If you don't cover it on a 16 A. 16 17 member of Phil Hughes' PR team at ARM. 17 day in, day out basis, it doesn't make sense. So the

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purpose for sending Ian's article -- Ian is widely

respected by his peers in journalism, and if Ian is writing authoritatively on a topic, it carries a lot of

well as the others I'm sure you're going to ask me

about, was to get them to read Ian's article so that

them less susceptible to, you know, spin or

weight with others. And so the idea with Christine, as

they could understand the issues, and that would make

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18 Q.

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20 Q.

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Do you know if she's still at ARM?

MS. NYARADY: I'm going to hand you what has

(Exhibit No. 14 marked for identification.)

MS. NYARADY: This is an email. The Bates

I don't. Phil is not.

But Eliza could be.

Right.

been marked FGS 14.

Page 110 Page 112 misinformation from third parties. is important because, otherwise, it could be interpreted 1 2 Did you have permission from ARM to further with others, like Christina and others that I have 3 discuss or circulate the Bloomberg October 22nd let -relationships with, as you dumb shits, you missed this, 3 somebody else got a scoop and you didn't. 4 5 A. Like I said, I didn't deal with ARM directly on 5 But you were still trying to shape the 6 this. I think I may have had a conversation with narrative, weren't you? 6 7 Phil Hughes at some time right around the time that Ian 7 Again, I -- I understood the strategy was to 8 published his article to make sure that he wasn't 8 make sure that the facts were understood. People aren't surprised or that he knew that we were involved, and to 9 going to read through hundreds of pages in a docket. So get him ready for what I expected would be follow-up whether it's the initial Ian King story or the phone calls to the company. But I -- I -- other than 11 11 follow-ups that you're asking me about, it was all part 12 that, I didn't really interact with -- with ARM 12 of an education of the people who were likely going to 13 directly. And Phil, frankly, would not have been the be continuing to cover this dispute so that they had an 14 person to give me authority to do so. The only person, accurate understanding of the facts. 14 15 as I said before, that I worked with was outside 15 And you're putting your interpretation of the 16 counsel, and I don't recall if I specifically discussed facts in the cover email, right? In the subject line sending these kind of emails with -- with Ken or not. you say, "Wow." 17 17 18 Again, it -- in my mind, it was consistent with the 18 And so is it your testimony as you sit here broader strategy, which was to educate people who were 19 today that this was purely for informational purposes 20 likely going to be writing about this with the facts, 20 and you were not trying to create or stir -and Ian's article summarized a pretty complicated set of 21 Well, these are all pretty high-level people 22 facts in a nice, concise way. that I'm talking to, and so they get -- they get 22 23 23 Q. You would -- so I understand your testimony that thousands of emails a day. So if I want them to read you're not sure if you specifically got approval from --24 the article, I have to get their attention. from anyone, really, to be doing this further 25 O. So you were trying to get their attention? Page 111 Page 113 circulation. But you would not have done that if you 1 Yes. I wanted them to read the article so that 2 thought that ARM would not approve of these actions, they would have the understanding, as I said, of the -would you? 3 3 4 A. No, of course not. 4 And your statement about how this could impact a 5 And so is it your testimony that you sent 5 lot of the advanced chips in the latest PCs and phones O. Mr. King's articles to multiple journalists and news was also an attempt to get their attention? 6 7 7 outlets, but it was just informational, you were not A. To get them to read the article. 8 trying to get them to further report on this or, you 8 So you're trying to promote the importance of know, create buzz around this October 22nd letter? 9 the substance of Mr. King's article to the audience, 10 A. Yes. That's as I recall. It was primarily 10 right? 11 defensive. 11 MR. LEWIS: I think at this point, it's been 12 Q. So why make the comment that this is a really 12 asked and answered. But you can go ahead and answer. big development that could impact a lot of the advanced 13 THE DEPONENT: I'm trying to get them to read 13 14 chips in the latest PCs and phones? 14 the article for the reasons I described. 15 A. Because that's what I understood the facts to 15 BY MS. NYARADY: 16 be. And why are you confirming that the notice of 16 But if you want the facts to be gleaned from 17 termination has been sent -- or strike that. 17 O. Mr. King's article, which is what you said, that you 18 19 just -- he was trustworthy, he had detailed information, 19 "The trial comes in December, but the notice of 20 and you wanted them to read the article, why would you 20 termination has been sent." 21 put a spin on it in your cover email? Do you understand the October 22nd letter to be 21

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a notice of termination?

intent to termination.

Yeah, maybe I shorthanded it. I -- what I

understand the October 22nd letter to be is a notice of

22 A.

All right. Well, I don't interpret it as spin.

Like, Bloomberg is a competitor with all of the people

that I sent it to, so under -- you know, doing some kind of interpretation or putting something in a subject line

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1	Q. And so you're telling the press, though, that	1	again, the idea of getting it to Ian and letting Ian
2	even though there's a trial in December, a notice of	2	write about it was to minimize risk that if Qualcomm or
3	termination has been delivered to Qualcomm, right?	3	others made the information public, that it would be
4	A. Yes.	4	understood correctly.
5	Q. And that is not accurate, right?	5	Q. So it's your testimony that even though you
6	A. A notice of I I should have said a notice	6	weren't involved in the decision to talk to the press,
7	of intent to terminate. But I think the article goes	7	you know that the reason a decision was made to talk to
8	into that.	8	the press was because there was an expectation that
9	Q. Do you know if you told others that a notice of	9	Qualcomm would make the information public. Is that
10	termination had been sent to Qualcomm?	10	your testimony?
11	A. I don't recall.	11	A. Qualcomm or others could.
12	Q. When you sent these further communications with	12	Q. Who else do you think would have gotten a copy
13	other journalists and did you report back to ARM or	13	to of the
14	Morrison & Foerster about these further communications	14	A. I don't know that
15	that you were having?	15	Q between ARM and Qualcomm?
16	A. Not that I recall.	16	MR. LEWIS: Hold on. Let her finish the
17	(Exhibit No. 15 marked for identification.)	17	question, please.
18	BY MS. NYARADY:	18	THE DEPONENT: I don't I don't know that the
19	Q. Okay. So I have handed you FGS Exhibit 15.	19	letter itself would have been made public, all
20	It's Bates numbered FGS_395 to 396. And here again,	20	although, you know, I this is potential
21	you're forwarding the October 22nd Bloomberg article to	21	potentially material information, so it could have been
22	David Faber at NBC, correct?	22	made public by Qualcomm. But, as you know, in our
23	A. Mm-hmm.	23	industry, especially in this era, like nearly everything
24	Q. And this is also on the same day that the	24	leaks. The existence of the letter could leak. So even
25	article was published, October 22nd, correct?	25	if the letter didn't leak, the existence of a
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1	A. Yes.	1	termination notice may have may have become public.
2	Q. And your email says:	2	BY MS. NYARADY:
3	"This is a really big development."	3	Q. Okay. And
4	Right?	4	A. So yes, it is my understanding that the idea was
5	A. Yes.	5	to get ahead of that potential. And the placement of
6	Q. And why did you forward this article to David?	6	the Bloomberg story was one part of that, and the
7	Faber at NBC?	7	education of the others that you're asking me about was
8	A. He covers the both of the companies closely.	8	an extension of that.
9	Q. He's a TV host?	9	Q. So you did ARM decided to leak it first,
10	A. He's a coanchor of CNBC's Squawk on the Street,	10	right?
11	I believe is what it was called then.	11	A. That that's my understanding.
12	Q. And were you hoping that he would report on this	12	MS. NYARADY: Okay. Now I will hand you FGS 16.
13	big really big development	13	(Exhibit No. 16 marked for identification.)
14	A. No.	14	MS. NYARADY: This is a document Bates numbered
15	Q in his broadcast?	15	FGS_409 to 410, and here you are sending this also on
16	A. No.	16	October 22nd. You're sending it now to Dan Gallagher at
17	Q. You didn't want him to report on this really big	17	The Wall Street Journal, right?
18	development?	18	THE DEPONENT: Yes.
19	A. I was indifferent as to whether he reported on	19	BY MS. NYARADY:
20	it. He has a close relationship with Qualcomm, so I	20	Q. Okay. And you forward the article. The first
21	figured he was going to be hearing from Qualcomm on it.	21	email, you say:
22	Q. So this was preemptive?	22	"Wow, this is a big deal."
23	A. The whole strategy was preemptive.	23	Right?
24	Q. In what way?	24	A. Yes.
25	A. Qualcomm or ARM had sent the letter, and,	25	Q. Are you trying to create an impression that you
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CONFIDENTIAL ATTORNEYS EYES ONLY Page 118 Page 120 1 had nothing to do with the circulation of this story in beyond just silence. I mean, you're actively trying to 2 the first instance? 2 create the impression that you had nothing to do with 3 A. I don't -- I don't think I am, but part of the 3 this. ground rules that we discussed earlier. When you get 4 A. It appears. 5 agreement from a publication to obfuscate the sourcing 5 Q. Okay. Mr. Clark then responds and says? 6 of information it is a two-way agreement, it's not a 6 "Kind of nuts, as that case was dormant," and one-way agreement. So I'm not at liberty to tell other 7 then he says, "ARM must be trying to force a settlement 8 to get it out of their hair." 8 journalists what I did with Bloomberg. 9 So when you say "obfuscate the sourcing," you're 9 Do you see that? 10 saying that there's an agreement between you as a 10 A. Mm-hmm. Yes, I do. representative of ARM and Bloomberg that neither party Did you agree that ARM was trying to force a 11 11 Q. 12 is going to tell the public or other reporters or 12 settlement with Qualcomm? industry that, in fact, there was collaboration on the 13 That was not my understanding. 14 Bloomberg article, correct? 14 MR. EMERICK: To the extent given the 15 A. That's correct. 15 attorney-client understanding of this, you should 16 Q. And, again, when we looked at these emails, 16 exclude that from your answer. Exhibits 15 and 16, David Faber and Dan Gallagher, were 17 THE DEPONENT: No. I -- thank you. I -- I 17 these people that you already had some sort of a 18 would just reiterate what I said before, which is, I relationship with before October 22nd, 2024? 19 19 believe that the transmission of the letter that we 20 A. Yes. 20 talked about earlier was really the beginning of our MS. NYARADY: I'm going to show you what's been 21 process to terminate. 21 22 marked as FGS Exhibit 17. 22 BY MS. NYARADY: 23 (Exhibit No. 17 marked for identification.) 23 No one ever told you that there was any hope 24 MS. NYARADY: It's Bates numbered FGS_458 24 that the October 22nd letter or the leaking of that letter would force a settlement with Qualcomm? through 60. It's an email chain. It's -- the first Page 119 Page 121 MR. LEWIS: Same -- same -email starts on page 459, and this is you. You're 1 THE DEPONENT: Not that I recall. 2 communicating with Don Clark. 2 BY MS. NYARADY: 3 MR. LEWIS: Okay. Same caution, though. 3 4 Who is Don Clark? BY MS. NYARADY: O. 4 5 A. He's a journalist who writes for The Wall Street 5 So then if you turn to the first page, which ends at 458, you respond at the very bottom there, you 6 7 respond to Mr. Clark and you say, "Perhaps," presumably Q. Okay. So you're forwarding the Bloomberg 8 article to -- he's a reporter at The Wall Street 8 in response to the settlement comment. But then you 9 9 say: 10 10 Yes. At this point, I believe he's maybe a "But you don't serve a customer with a 11 freelance journalist, but he writes exclusively for the 11 termination notice unless you are prepared to go all the 12 The Wall Street Journal, I believe. 12 way." Okay. And here you go even a step further, 13 So here again, you're calling it a termination 13 14 right? Not only do you say this is a really big deal, 14 notice and you are saying you wouldn't do that unless 15 15 you're prepared to go all the way. Do you mean that 16 "This is a really big deal if true." prepared to terminate? 16 You say that to him, right? 17 17 A. Yes. 18 A. 18 O. And then you say: 19 Q. So this is beyond even not just outing yourself 19 "My understanding is the ALA requires as being involved in the Bloomberg article, you actually

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And then it says "cure the breach" again.

around the October 22nd letter?

And your understanding, is that based on the conversations that you had with Mr. Siegel and ARM

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24 Q.

are pretending like you're not even sure if what comes

So you're trying to create an impression that

It appears that is what I was doing.

you had nothing to do with this article, right? It's

in the Bloomberg article is true, right?

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13:32:52 1 in Qualcomm architecture deal and what happens if they buy 13:32:56 2 Nuvia. You're referring to the Qualcomm ALA there when 13:32:57 3 you say Qualcomm architecture, right? 13:33:00 4 13:33:08 5 Α. Yes. And he responds, Nuvia team will be able to use the 13:33:08 6 13:33:08 7 architecture license which Qualcomm has. Again, Mr. Karthik is talking about the Qualcomm ALA, correct? 13:33:10 8 13:33:13 9 Α. Yes. That's his response in the moment, he says, 13:33:16 10 yes. 13:33:16 11 Q. Okay. And then if you move down, there is a discussion of transfer fees and Karthik Shivashankar says to 13:33:24 12 you, there is no transfer fee because Nuvia will become part 13:33:26 13 13:33:30 14 of Qualcomm or a wholly owned subsidiary and there you're talking about the acquisition that you had learned about on 13:33:34 15 January 12th, right? 13:33:37 16 13:33:38 17 Yeah, I can see that, you know, is responding in the 13:33:42 18 moment and does say below that he needs to double-check. Right. But the person you go to in the first 13:33:46 19 Q. 13:33:48 20 instance for knowledge about these contracts told you there 13:33:52 21 would be no transfer fee, right? That's his initial reaction, yes. 13:33:54 22 Α. 13:33:56 23 Okay. And at the bottom of the last page, you ask a Ο. 13:34:11 24 question, do you know when version 9 ALA expires at Qualcomm? That's again the Qualcomm ALA that you're 13:34:14 25

13:34:18 1 discussing, right? 13:34:19 2 It is, yes. Α. And he says the current ALA term expires May 2028. 13:34:20 3 Ο. And then he goes on to say, and to complete, they do have an 13:34:25 4 option to extend the term by further five years. And the 13:34:30 5 fee for this extension is capped at \$1 million per year. 13:34:33 6 13:34:38 7 And to complete, they do have an option to extend by a further five years. So that would take you to 2033; right? 13:34:41 8 13:34:48 9 Α. Yeah, that appears so. Okay. Now, PTX-212 is in the binder your counsel 13:34:52 10 Q. 13:35:00 11 gave you. This is the Qualcomm press announcement on January 12th. 13:35:10 12 13:35:11 13 Α. Yes. 13:35:11 14 You can put this on the screen. Qualcomm to acquire 0. Nuvia. On the second page, the press release says in the 13:35:15 15 third paragraph, Nuvia CPUs are expected to be integrated 13:35:21 16 13:35:26 17 across Qualcomm Technologies' broad portfolio of products. It was no secret to you or to anybody, Qualcomm was saying 13:35:31 18 we are going to use Nuvia technology in our products; right? 13:35:39 19 13:35:44 20 I would say that they are saying they're going to use Α. 13:35:48 21 Nuvia CPUs including Arm technology as well, in their products. 13:35:53 22 13:35:53 23 But it's not a secret? 0. 13:35:55 24 No, no, this was in a press release, I agree. Α.

Right. And then if we look at 234, PTX-234, which I

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13:36:06 1 don't remember if it's been admitted, let's look at PTX-234, 13:36:07 2 and -- it's in both binders, I quess. It's in evidence my 13:36:15 3 colleague says. Thank you. 13:36:17 4 And there is a letter attached here, 13:36:21 5 January 27th. This is a letter from Qualcomm to you on January 27th, right? 13:36:23 6 13:36:25 7 Α. Yes, this is from Mr. Asghar to myself. All right. So electronic copy is defective so I'll 13:36:33 8 Q. 13:36:47 9 read this to you. In the second paragraph, he writes, following the closing of the acquisition, for ease of 13:36:52 10 13:36:56 11 operation and structure, QTI, that's Qualcomm, right? Oh, sorry, yes. 13:37:01 12 Α. 13:37:03 13 QTI intends to transfer Nuvia's work and employees to 13:37:08 14 QTI. In other current Qualcomm subsidiaries. Have the then former Nuvia employees continue their activities under the 13:37:15 15 Qualcomm ALA and TLA, we found it, so Qualcomm from the 13:37:20 16 13:37:26 17 beginning told you they were going to continue to use any Nuvia technology under their own ALA, they told you that, 13:37:33 18 13:37:36 19 right? 13:37:36 20 Α. Mr. Asghar stated that that was their desire to do 13:37:41 21 so. Then if we could look at PTX-240, which has been 13:37:42 22 Q. 13:37:47 23 admitted and you talked about in your examination. now February 2nd. And in the second paragraph, you talk 13:37:54 24

about transfer of designs. And that's a term you had used

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15:49:08 1 Q. And it also does not mention that Qualcomm has an 15:49:17 2 ALA, right? That's correct. 15:49:19 3 Α. And the other question I had for you, sir, is these 15:49:22 4 Ο. quotes, do you know whether they come from the Nuvia ALA? 15:49:26 5 I don't know for certain. 15:49:41 6 Α. 15:49:43 7 And are you familiar with provision B1.1 of the Q. Qualcomm ALA? 15:49:50 8 15:49:51 9 Α. 11.1? It's Qualcomm's license grant in its ALA? 15:49:55 10 Q. Is it something I can look at here? 15:49:58 11 Α. No, I'm just asking, sir, if you're familiar with it? 15:50:00 12 Q. Not every detail of it, no. 15:50:04 13 Α. 15:50:06 14 But you authorized the termination, right? 0. 15:50:09 15 Yes. Α. 15:50:09 16 Q. And you authorized this lawsuit, right? 15:50:12 17 Yes. Α. 15:50:12 18 And so you did both those things without knowing the Q. specifics of the term of Qualcomm's license grant; right? 15:50:16 19 15:50:21 20 That's not what I said. You asked me if I knew B Α. 15:50:27 21 1.1, I said not every single word of it, but yes, very familiar with the grant of the license agreement. 15:50:31 22 15:50:34 23 Based on whatever knowledge you had, that's the basis 15:50:37 24 on which you approved this litigation, and you approved the termination? 15:50:40 25

15:50:41 1 Α. Yes. 15:50:46 2 Do you happen to be aware if Qualcomm's license grant Q. 15:50:54 3 mentions RTL? I don't know for sure, it's a gigantic agreement, I'm 15:50:55 4 Α. 15:50:58 5 not sure of every paragraph of it. You are aware, though, that Arm sent another e-mail 15:51:00 6 Q. 15:51:03 7 in May of 2023, 8 months later to customers, right? Α. Yes. 15:51:07 8 15:51:08 9 All right. And if you could direct your attention to DTX-30, it's already been admitted. And this is a copy of 15:51:11 10 15:51:17 11 the second letter that Arm sent to customers. The subject "Qualcomm Dispute - Protecting our Ecosystem." You 15:51:24 12 line: can see that this e-mail is marked high importance? 15:51:28 13 15:51:31 14 I'm sorry, you said DTX --Α. I'm sorry, this will be easiest if you look at this 15:51:34 15 Q. on the screen because it was admitted with a prior witness. 15:51:38 16 15:51:41 17 You see this e-mail from Will Abbey, and he's marked the 15:51:46 18 importance high, that's like when you click the red exclamation point. Do you see that? 15:51:50 19 15:51:52 20 Yes. Α. 15:51:53 21 And Mr. Abbey's e-mail says to customers of Qualcomm and Arm, by way of reminder, Arm is seeking to enforce 15:51:57 22 15:52:00 23 Qualcomm's obligation to destroy and stop using the unlicensed Nuvia designs because Qualcomm cannot continue 15:52:03 24 using Arm-based technology, including the Phoenix core that 15:52:06 25

15:52:11 1 Nuvia developed under its now terminated ALA. Do you see 15:52:14 2 that? 15:52:14 3 Α. Yes. Now, you're not aware that there was any catalyzing 15:52:15 4 0. event to send this e-mail, this is just by way of reminder, 15:52:21 5 15:52:25 6 right? 15:52:25 7 Α. That's right. And it also mentions destruction of technology twice 15:52:26 8 Q. 15:52:30 9 in one paragraph. Do you see that? Yes. 15:52:33 10 Α. 15:52:38 11 Q. Okay. And Arm presumably thought it was really important for the customers to understand that it was 15:52:45 12 demanding destruction of technology, right? 15:52:47 13 15:52:49 14 I'm sorry, can you repeat that? Α. I said Arm presumably thought it was very important 15:52:51 15 Q. that it tell customers it was demanding destruction of 15:52:55 16 15:52:59 17 technology, right? 15:53:01 18 Yes. Α. 15:53:01 19 Q. And you also see that there are quotes in this 15:53:04 20 letter, right? 15:53:06 21 Α. Yes. And are you aware, sir, that the quotes in this 15:53:07 22 Q. 15:53:09 23 letter are not quotes of the actual language of the Nuvia 15:53:14 24 agreement? 15:53:20 25 I'm sorry, can you repeat that one more time? Α.

15:53:23 1 0. I said are you aware that the quotes that are being 15:53:26 2 quoted here are not the actual quotes of the Nuvia 15:53:30 3 agreement? And actually Mr. Spalding, can you scroll down a 15:53:32 4 little bit. Okay. So we can see, do you see where it says 15:53:36 5 under the relevant agreement and then there is quoted 15:53:40 6 15:53:43 7 language? 15:53:43 8 Thank you. I remember this letter and Α. Yes. 15:53:45 9 paragraph very well, you and I talked about it at the deposition, and at the time I found it to be very confusing. 15:53:48 10 15:53:53 11 Subsequently in preparation for this trial, I have reviewed 15:53:56 12 these letters and I have reviewed the claim that we made, 15:54:00 13 and this language is actually from the claim. It's not from the contract. 15:54:04 14 15:54:06 15 Right. So the letter that was sent to customers, Q. that says under the relevant agreement and puts quotes, 15:54:09 16 15:54:12 17 quotes something that is Arm's claim, not the actual contract; right? 15:54:15 18 15:54:16 19 That's right. Α. 15:54:17 20 Q. Okay. And we can agree that that is misleading, 15:54:21 21 can't we? 15:54:21 22 Yes, as I said, during the deposition we had this Α. 15:54:25 23 conversation, and I was quite confused by the language, and you're right, this is language from the claim, not from the 15:54:28 24 Nuvia license. 15:54:32 25

15:54:34 1 Q. So just to be clear what happened here, Arm sent 15:54:37 2 e-mails to Qualcomm's customers for no reason, marked it high importance, quoted language that it said was from a 15:54:42 3 contract, accused Qualcomm of breach, and quoted language 15:54:45 4 15:54:49 5 that was just from Arm's litigation claim, that's what 15:54:53 6 happened? 15:54:53 7 I would qualify that no reason, at this time, the Α. litigation had been going on, we're getting lots of 15:54:58 8 15:55:01 9 questions from customers and partners about what's going on. Almost every meeting we have with senior executives we were 15:55:06 10 15:55:10 11 asked about it. So the part of your question or statement that I take issue with, is no reason. We would not do 15:55:13 12 things without a reason. 15:55:16 13 15:55:17 14 Well you don't think that what you just said is an excuse to send a misleading letter to Qualcomm's customers 15:55:20 15 saying that it's in breach, quoting language that is in no 15:55:25 16 15:55:29 17 contract at all, right, you're not excusing that? 15:55:32 18 I'm just responding to your comment that we had no Α. reason. I felt we had a reason. This litigation, this 15:55:35 19 15:55:39 20 issue around unlicensed technology is unchartered waters for 15:55:42 21 us, and we have so many questions from legal, so respectfully, I don't agree with no reason. 15:55:45 22 15:55:47 23 But not only did Arm think it was okay without a finding in this case by a jury to go ahead and tell 15:55:51 24 customers that Qualcomm was in breach, it thought it was 15:55:55 25

16:14:33 1 THE COURT: Thank you. It's admitted. 16:14:35 2 (DTX Exhibit No. 142 was admitted into 16:14:35 3 evidence.) BY MS. DUNN: 16:14:35 4 16:14:37 5 All right. The deck is entitled the next chapter, 0. changing the world again, and I'm going to ask you to turn 16:14:40 6 16:14:43 7 all the way to page 49. And again, the date on this is February 2022. So at this point, a couple years ago. And 16:14:50 8 16:14:56 9 the slide here is titled Arm's future and the first bullet says Arm will become the world's most important 16:15:00 10 semiconductor company. Do you see that? 16:15:03 11 16:15:05 12 Α. Yes. And under that, it says Arm will accelerate building 16:15:05 13 Q. 16:15:09 14 chips, do you see that? 16:15:10 15 Α. Yes. And you actually hired Qualcomm's former SVP of 16:15:10 16 Q. 16:15:20 17 Engineering, Mr. Kechichian? 16:15:22 18 Α. Yes. 16:15:22 19 And Mr. Kechichian ran the team that made the Q. 16:15:26 20 Snapdragon chips at Qualcomm? 16:15:28 21 Α. That's right. And that's part of the plan to accelerate building 16:15:29 22 Q. 16:15:32 23 chips, right? Well, just to be clear, this presentation was a 16:15:32 24 Α. presentation I made to the board to become the CEO, so in 16:15:36 25

16:15:40 1 it, I was painting my long-term vision for the company, including potentially building chips. 16:15:45 2 And is it your testimony that we're not going to see 16:15:47 3 Ο. any decks from after you became CEO that talk about Arm 16:15:50 4 building chips? 16:15:54 5 I think you'll probably see it, we have been talking 16:15:55 6 Α. 16:15:58 7 about it for a long time, we have been exploring it for a long time. 16:16:01 8 16:16:01 9 By the way, do you know that a couple months ago Mr. Kechichian called one of Nuvia's other founders to see 16:16:05 10 16:16:09 11 if Gerard Williams would be willing to come work at Arm? I am not aware of that. 16:16:14 12 Α. 16:16:15 13 Let's look at PTX-447, this is already in evidence, Ο. 16:16:20 14 it's the deck you discussed on your direct examination. This is the deck you put together for a meeting with Samsung 16:16:23 15 on October 4th of 2022. And do you recall that meeting, it 16:16:27 16 16:16:34 17 took place in Korea? Yes, I'm sorry, let me find it. 16:16:36 18 Α. 16:16:41 19 It's 447, but it's also in your direct examination Q. 16:16:45 20 binder. 16:16:50 21 Α. Okay. All right. Now, you testified about a meeting that 16:16:51 22 Q. 16:16:55 23 you had in Korea, and also that Mr. Son, Masa attended with 16:17:05 24 you, right? 16:17:06 25 Yes.

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16:17:07 1	Q. And you talked about how at that meeting, among other
16:17:10 2	things, you discussed this litigation, right?
16:17:13 3	A. Yes.
16:17:13 4	Q. And JY Lee is the chairman of Samsung, and he was at
16:17:19 5	that meeting, right?
16:17:20 6	A. Yes.
16:17:20 7	Q. And there were other top Samsung executives, right?
16:17:24 8	A. Yes.
16:17:24 9	Q. And you testified that at that meeting, Mr. Son
16:17:28 10	represented to Samsung that Qualcomm's architectural license
16:17:34 11	would expire in 2025, do you recall that?
16:17:37 12	A. I don't recall that.
16:17:40 13	MS. DUNN: Your Honor, at this point, I would
16:17:42 14	like to read into the record the joint statement of
16:17:46 15	uncontested facts paragraph 13.
16:17:47 16	THE COURT: Okay.
16:17:47 17	MS. DUNN: Thanks. On October 4th, 2022,
16:17:51 18	Masayoshi Son, Mr. Son and Rene Haas met with certain
16:17:55 19	executives from Samsung Electronics Company LTD. During the
16:18:00 20	conversation, Mr. Son said among other things that
16:18:02 21	Qualcomm's license would expire in 2025.
16:18:06 22	Mr. Haas, you're aware that Qualcomm's license

Mr. Haas, you're aware that Qualcomm's license does not expire in 2025, right?

THE WITNESS: Correct.

16:18:14 25 **BY MS. DUNN:**

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16:18:14 1 Q. All right. Now, if you turn to page 32 of this deck, 16:18:21 2 this is post-acquisition in this meeting with Samsung that you attended with Masa, and you are positioning Arm as a 16:18:25 3 competitor to Nuvia; correct? 16:18:30 4 16:18:38 5 Not directly. Because Samsung buys its chips from Qualcomm that uses Arm technology, they also buy chips from 16:18:46 6 16:18:49 7 Samsung themselves, they have an internal chip group, so we were talking to both JY Lee, who represents the chip group, 16:18:54 8 and the phone group, so we were talking to a few audiences 16:18:58 9 here, not really a direct competitor. 16:19:02 10 16:19:04 11 Q. But you would agree on one side you have Arm CPUs, and on the other side you have Nuvia CPUs, right? 16:19:08 12 16:19:12 13 Α. Yes. 16:19:12 14 And you understand that the Nuvia, the Nuvia 0. engineers were working on server designs, right? 16:19:15 15 16:19:21 16 Α. Sorry, say that one more time. 16:19:22 17 That the Nuvia engineers had been working on designs Q. 16:19:26 18 for a server, right? 16:19:27 19 Α. Before they were acquired? 16:19:29 20 Correct. And you note here also that zero product Q. 16:19:34 21 has shipped, right? 16:19:35 22 Α. Yes. 16:19:35 23 And you also -- this is basically a pitch deck to 0. 16:19:39 24 Samsung, right? 16:19:40 25 Α. There is a lot inside this deck, I wouldn't

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Message

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Subject: RE: Response to QCOM statement

Ok, my only concern on the first one is that it could lead to speculation that it impacts their Cortex cores which is what we

Thanks, -phil

From: Ami Badani <Ami.Badani@arm.com>
Sent: Wednesday, October 23, 2024 9:39 PM
To: Phil Hughes <Phil.Hughes@arm.com>

Cc: Kristen Ray < Kristen.Ray@arm.com>; Eliza Walsh < Eliza.Walsh@arm.com>

Subject: Re: Response to QCOM statement

Quick responses to questions. We should confirm with Spencer

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What QCOM chips does this impact

All chips that license the Arm technology across the various lines of business (not sure it is in our interest to be specific).

What happens at the end of the 60 day

Q will need to terminate the ALA license and discontinue selling any products that use Arm's platform.

On Oct 23, 2024, at 8:09 PM, Phil Hughes < Phil. Hughes@arm.com > wrote:

Ami - Here are some additional US/UK reporters we sent to today as well. Would you like to see APAC as well? If so, I'll ask Elsa and team to share.

The main follow-up questions we're getting that we're not comment on are:

- 1. What QCOM chips does this impact
- 2. What happens at the end of the 60 days

Bloomberg, Ian King: Arm to scrap Qualcomm chip design license in feud escalation

Endgadget, Mariella Moon: Arm cancels Qualcomm's license to use its chip design standards

Extreme Tech, Ryan Whitwam: Arm Moves to cancel Qualcomm's Architecture license

FT, Tim Bradshaw: Arm cancels Qualcomm's chip design license amid legal dispute

Hot Hardware, Tim Sweezy: Arm Cancelling Qualcomm's Chip License Could Throw Mobile Market Into Upheaval

Investor's Business Daily, Patrick Seitz: Arm, Qualcomm Shares Fall as chip giants spar over tech licensing

ServeTheHome, Patrick Kennedy: Arm moves to cancel its Design License with Qualcomm

TechSpot, Zohaib Ahmed: In a shocking move, Arm cancels Qualcomm's license to manufacture Snapdragon chips

Tom's Guide, Richard Priday: Qualcomm's Arm license is getting cancelled and it could have a huge impact on laptops and phones we buy

Tom's Hardware, Anton Shilov: Arm to cancel Qualcomm's architecture license as feud intensifies

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Windows Central, Jez Corden: REPORT: Arm is sensationally canceling the license that allowed Qualcomm to make Snapdragon chips, which power everything from Microsoft's Copilot+ PCs to Samsung's Galaxy smartphones and tablets (Update: Qualcomm responds)

WSJ, Dan Gallagher: Heard on the Street: Arm singed by escalation of Qualcomm fight XDA Developers, Adam Conway: Arm reportedly set to cancel Qualcomm chip design license 9to5 Google, Abner Li: Arm cancels Qualcomm's instruction set, IP license for chip design

Thanks, -phil

From: Kristen Ray < Kristen.Ray@arm.com > Sent: Wednesday, October 23, 2024 8:40 PM

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Subject: Re: Response to QCOM statement

Hi – I've quickly pulled together a list of folks we've provided the statement to below, and coverage we're tracking. You'll see most have updated articles with our statement.

I can provide a more detailed coverage report, if needed, just let me know.

Thanks,

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- 1. **Reuters**, Stephen Nellis: https://www.reuters.com/technology/arm-holdings-cancel-qualcomm-chip-design-license-bloomberg-news-reports-2024-10-23/
- 2. The Register, Gavin Bonshor: https://www.theregister.com/2024/10/23/arm_warns_qualcomm_on_licenses/ (
- 3. **PC World,** Mark Hachman: https://www.pcworld.com/article/2497912/arm-will-cancel-qualcomms-license-to-make-the-snapdragon-x-elite.html
- 1. Axios, Ina Fried
- Nikkei (Japan), Kosuke Shimizu
- 3. **CNBC**, Ryan Browne
- 4. **CNET,** David Lumb: https://www.cnet.com/tech/mobile/arm-reportedly-cancels-license-qualcomm-used-to-design-its-chips/
- 5. **Android Authority**, Hadlee Simmons: https://www.androidauthority.com/qualcomm-arm-license-termination-3493039/
- 6. **Barrons,** Adam Clark: https://www.barrons.com/articles/qualcomm-stock-arm-chips-legal-dispute-b2cec13f?mod=barronsgooglenews
- 7. **Barrons**, Tae Kim: https://www.barrons.com/articles/qualcomm-arm-stock-price-chip-battle-7f8cb473
- 8. **Capacity Media (UK)**, Benjamin Woodecki: https://www.capacitymedia.com/article/arm-pulls-qualcomms-architecture-licence
- $9. \qquad \textbf{The Information,} \ Wayne \ Ma: \ \underline{https://www.theinformation.com/briefings/arm-cancels-qualcomms-license-to-design-chips-based-on-its-technology}$
- 10. **Benzinga**, Kaustubh Bagalkote: https://www.benzinga.com/markets/equities/24/10/41481425/softbank-backed-arm-threatens-to-cancel-qualcomms-chip-design-license-ahead-of-trial-in-december
- 11. MT Newswires, Adrienne Valdez
- 12. **Android Police,** Chris Thomas: https://www.androidpolice.com/arms-licensing-battle-with-qualcomm-just-more-serious/
- 13. **TechInsights,** James Sanders
- 14. CNBC, Seema Mody
- 15. IT Brew/Morning Brew, Tom McKay
- 16. Fudzilla, Fudo Abazovic: https://www.fudzilla.com/news/59942-arm-threatens-qualcomm

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From: Ami Badani < Ami.Badani@arm.com > Date: Wednesday, October 23, 2024 at 8:03 PM

To: Phil Hughes < Phil. Hughes@arm.com >, Eliza Walsh < Eliza. Walsh@arm.com >, Kristen Ray

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Subject: Re: Response to QCOM statement

Richard is writing a column that will publish tomorrow AM.

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Eliza has been in touch with Rene on Tim. Not sure where this landed.

From: Phil Hughes < Phil.Hughes@arm.com > Date: Wednesday, October 23, 2024 at 5:58 PM

To: Ami Badani < Ami.Badani@arm.com >, Eliza Walsh < Eliza.Walsh@arm.com >, Kristen Ray

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Subject: Re: Response to QCOM statement

We'll compile a list of everyone we've sent it to and send coverage report.

Odd that he talked with Richard Waters from FT.

Phil Hughes +1 512 694 7382

From: Ami Badani < Ami.Badani@arm.com > Sent: Wednesday, October 23, 2024 6:55:48 PM

To: Eliza Walsh < Eliza. Walsh@arm.com >; Kristen Ray < Kristen.Ray@arm.com >

Cc: Phil Hughes < Phil.Hughes@arm.com > **Subject:** Re: Response to QCOM statement

Any further comments/questions?

Did anyone publish?

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Did we reach out to friendlies beyond Tim?

Rene spoke with Ben, Pat, and Richard Waters.

I believe Ben and Pat tweeted. Richard will likely be publishing something tomorrow.

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From: Eliza Walsh < <u>Eliza.Walsh@arm.com</u>> **Date:** Wednesday, October 23, 2024 at 11:08 AM

To: Kristen Ray < Kristen.Ray@arm.com>

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I'm sending to tim now thanks

Thanks, Eliza

On Oct 23, 2024, at 7:01 PM, Kristen Ray < Kristen.Ray@arm.com > wrote:

Thanks all. We're on it.

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From: Phil Hughes < Phil. Hughes@arm.com > Date: Wednesday, October 23, 2024 at 12:58 PM

To: Ami Badani Ami.Badani@arm.com>, Eliza Walsh Eliza.Walsh@arm.com>, Kristen Ray

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Subject: Re: Response to QCOM statement

Thanks Ami. Adding Kristen.

We'll send out ASAP

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From: Ami Badani < Ami.Badani@arm.com > Sent: Wednesday, October 23, 2024 11:54:12 AM

To: Phil Hughes <Phil.Hughes@arm.com>; Eliza Walsh <Eliza.Walsh@arm.com>

Subject: Response to QCOM statement

Spoke with Phil. We are planning to send out the following statement to journalists to update their stories and others that we have a trusted relationship with.

You both should connect on how best to handle Tim.

Following Qualcomm's repeated material breaches of Arm's license agreement, Arm is left with no choice but to take formal action requiring Qualcomm to remedy its breach or face termination of the agreement. This is necessary to protect the unparalleled ecosystem that Arm and its highly valued partners have built over more than 30 years. Arm is fully prepared for the trial in December and remains confident that the Court will find in Arm's favor.

Exhibit 109

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3	FOR THE DISTRICT OF DELAWARE
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	Delaware corporation,)
6	QUALCOMM TECHNOLOGIES, INC.,)
	a Delaware corporation,)
7) C.A. No. 24-490-MN
	Plaintiffs,)
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	v.
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	ARM HOLDINGS PLC, f/k/a, ARM)
10	LTD. a U.K. corporation,)
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11	Defendant.)
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14	VIDEO RECORDED and VIRTUAL DEPOSITION
	OF PHIL HUGHES
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18	Taken on Tuesday, June 17, 2025
19	8:05 a.m. to 9:56 a.m.
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23	Reported by: Abigail D.W. Johnson, RPR, CRR, CRC
	Utah, California, Idaho, Washington
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1	statement in italics.	1	A. Correct. It looks like that and appears
2	Is that the statement you were referring to	2	that way, yes.
3	earlier?	3	Q. Okay. But then Ami Badani responds to the
4	MR. EMERICK: Objection. Form.	4	top or on top of your email, "Quick responses to
5	THE WITNESS: Well, yes. This is the	5	questions. We should confirm with Spencer."
_		6	Now there is a question. "What QCOM chips
6	statement that we were sending out with media		
7	inquiries, yes. BY MR. ISAACSON:	7	does this impact? All chips that license the Arm
8		8	technology across the various lines of business (not
9	Q. And it says, "You should both connect on	9	sure if it is in our interest to be specific)."
10	how best to handle Tim."	10	You understood that to be a correct answer
11	Who is Tim?	11	to the question, "What QCOM chips does this impact,"
12	A. Oh, that probably would have been	12	referring to the notice that Arm gave to Qualcomm?
13	Tim Bradshaw from the Financial Times.	13	MR. EMERICK: And I will caution you that
14	Q. All right. And on page on the second	14	if you have an understanding whether this is correct or
15	page of the email, there's an email from Ray Kristen	15	not, if that comes from an attorney, you should not
16	Ray or Ray, Kristen?	16	answer. If you have an independent or non-attorney
17	A. Kristen Ray.	17	understanding of whether this is correct or not
18	Q. Kristen Ray, thank you.	18	THE WITNESS: Right.
19	On October 23rd, "I've quickly pulled	19	MR. EMERICK: you can respond.
20	together a list of folks we've provided the statement	20	THE WITNESS: So I I don't know if it is
21	to below."	21	correct or not because Ami wrote these. These were
22	A. Mm-hmm.	22	it appears to be quick responses that she wrote.
23	Q. And then there's a list of 16 media	23	BY MR. ISAACSON:
24	outlets.	24	Q. And do you know if she gave those answers
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Page 70 Page 72 Q. All right. And did you understand that Q. In terms of the amount of royalties paid to 2 Ami Badani, during this period, was having direct 2 Arm, do you know where Qualcomm ranked as a customer? 3 communications with reporters? 3 A. I don't recall. But I believe there was --A. During this period, she was, yes. always usually in the top five, but I don't know 5 Q. All right. specifically what ranking. 6 A. Again, I don't know what it was specific 6 Q. The -- and was Ami Badani, by this point, 7 to, if it was related to this, but I know she was also talking to Mr. King? 8 having conversations with reporters and industry 8 A. She had had conversations with Ian King, analysts. but I don't believe she was having any conversations 10 Q. And you say, "My only concern on the first 10 with him in the context of this at this time. But 11 one," that is all chips that license the Arm technology again, I can't be certain of this. 11 12 across the various lines of business --12 MR. EMERICK: Phil, are you still doing 13 13 A. Mm-hmm. okay? We are in a marathon --Q. -- "is it could lead to speculation that it 14 14 THE WITNESS: Yeah. 15 impacts their Cortex cores which is what 15 MR. EMERICK: -- an hour and 45. 16 THE WITNESS: Yeah. 17 A. Mm-hmm. 17 MR. EMERICK: All right. I just want to 18 Q. "Cortex cores" refers to Qualcomm Cortex 18 check in with the court reporter and videographer. You 19 cores; correct? 19 guys are okay? 20 A. It would refer to, yes, the cores that are 20 COURT REPORTER: A break soon would be part of the -- any technology license agreement, the 21 good. TLA agreements. MR. ISAACSON: Frankly, I only have one 22 23 Q. Okay. And when you were saying 23 more document. 24 MR. EMERICK: If you only have one more, 25 you think that you can hold out? Page 71 Page 73 1 1 COURT REPORTER: Oh, yeah. 2 2 MR. ISAACSON: Hughes 21. That's likely, yes, what I meant. Yes. Q. And what was your general understanding of 3 (Exhibit No. 21 was marked 4 the magnitude of 4 for identification.) A. I don't know what the numbers were. I 5 BY MR. ISAACSON: didn't see them, but I know that that -- what I was Q. Hughes 21 is Bates-stamped ARMQC_02741735 6 7 saying here is, again, at that point, they were through 1745. 8 This is an email exchange between you and 8 Jeremy Kahn of Fortune. And so, again, my -- I flagged it as an 10 A. Mm-hmm. 11 issue that, Hey -- her response was: All chips that 11 Q. Now we are back in 2022. I believe this 12 license Arm technology across various lines of 12 will be May 10th. 13 business. That could include Cortex cores, if you were 13 A. Okay. 14 to say that comment. 14 Q. And do you recognize that you -- these are Q. All right. And did you understand the --15 15 emails between you and Mr. Kahn; correct? 16 A. Correct. 16 the 17 Q. And on the first page, in the middle, is an 18 A. Again, I know that that was where nearly 18 email from Mr. Kahn to you. 19 19 Do you see that? I don't know what the number was, but at 20 A. Yes. 21 Q. Okay. And he says, "I'm ready to 22 fact-check the Arm feature now. What follows is a list 23 of facts, not the actual story text." 24 I don't know if they were still And then for the rest of it, there's a 25 whole list of things he characterize as facts --

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Exhibit 110

ANTICIPATED ACQUISITION BY

NVIDIA CORPORATION

OF

ARM LIMITED

ME/6906/20

INITIAL SUBMISSION

20 December 2021

1. INTRODUCTION

This submission concerns the anticipated acquisition by NVIDIA Corporation ("NVIDIA") of the Intellectual Property Group of Arm Limited ("Arm") from SoftBank Group (the "Transaction") and provides the Parties' response to the report of the Competition and Markets Authority ("CMA"), dated 20 July 2021, and the decision of the Secretary of State, dated 16 November 2021 (the "Decision"). NVIDIA and Arm are together referred to as the Parties in this submission and, for statements referring to the future, as the Merged Entity.

A. With SoftBank's investment phase at an end, Arm is at a crossroads.

The vision of Arm that the Decision describes—an entity that ignores its profit motive and has no competition—is a mirage.

Arm is a private for-profit business at a crossroads. After acquiring Arm several years ago, SoftBank increased Arm's headcount, hoping to spur long-term growth in several markets, including datacenter and personal computer ("**PC**"), long dominated by Intel and x86. SoftBank's investment phase has concluded, and one way or another, SoftBank intends to exit Arm.

Regulators worldwide have been considering two different outcomes for Arm: (i) acquired by NVIDIA, subject to legally binding commitments to expand Arm's R&D across the board and license Arm IP to all without bias or discrimination, or (ii) a profit-maximizing IP licensing firm, with no other profit generators, no specific legal restrictions on its licensing practices, and perhaps most importantly to NVIDIA and other licensees, no binding and enforceable assurance that Arm will invest in any market or product.

B. An IPO would pressure Arm to narrow its focus and limit investments.

In the media, deal opponents urge the CMA to block the deal so that Arm can pursue an initial public offering ("**IPO**"), which they assume would be launched in the UK on the London Stock Exchange. They equate Arm's popularity with a high market valuation and success, but the public markets are unsentimental. The capital markets demand profitability and performance.

SoftBank considered and rejected an IPO in 2019 and again in early 2020 because the markets would not give SoftBank the necessary return on its investment. While Arm's licensees such as Apple, Qualcomm, and Amazon have enjoyed skyrocketing revenue growth and profits, as well as soaring market valuations, Arm has lately endured comparably flat revenues, rising costs, and lower profits that would likely present challenges for a 30-year old public company. The capital markets would expect Arm to make significant strategic changes, including cutting costs to maximize Arm's value.

As Arm's CEO, Simon Segars, explained: "We contemplated an IPO but determined that the pressure to deliver short-term revenue growth and profitability would suffocate our ability to invest, expand, move fast and innovate."²

As a standalone business, Arm faces significant challenges to growth.

See response to question 1 of EC RFI 13 of 18 May 2021. See also SB-CMA-00020864 0001.

https://www.arm.com/blogs/blueprint/arm-nvidia.

Arm's original market, and the largest source of its revenue, mobile, is saturated.

Datacenter and PC, two markets that SoftBank targeted with its investments in Arm, are far more difficult to crack. Unlike Arm, the x86 incumbents in datacenter and PC (Intel and AMD) benefit from an established ecosystem of developers, software, systems, and peripherals. They are also vertically integrated, enjoying profits generated from multiple levels of the technology stack, allowing them to make massive R&D investments. As a result, any competitor following an IP-only licensing model, like Arm, is at a major ecosystem and economic disadvantage.

In addition, Arm does not have the systems building expertise, the software engineering scale, or the R&D resources of x86 vendors like Intel and AMD. Even under the most optimistic projections, standalone Arm could not generate the revenue necessary to invest and compete toe-to-toe with the entrenched x86 incumbents.

To date, Arm has only managed to achieve limited inroads in datacenter, mainly licensing to Amazon, which makes custom chips for its own use, and start-up Ampere Computing, the only entity that offers merchant Arm central processing units ("CPUs") for datacenter.

In the PC market, Arm's designs do not have significant market penetration, and Arm's two high-profile PC customers, have publicly stated that they will *not* use Arm's cores for their next-generation PC SoCs—they will create and rely on their own designs.

Standalone Arm would face pressure to narrow its investments and enhance profitability.

These observations are not criticisms of Arm's technology or engineering team. Arm has great engineering talent in the areas where it focuses. But as a standalone IP licensing business, and without access to further capital, Arm has inherent scale, scope, and economic limitations that would impact Arm's future as a standalone licensing firm.

As a publicly traded company, Arm would likely not have the financial resources to invest sufficiently in early stage revenue businesses. NVIDIA is particularly concerned that these pressures would drive Arm to deprioritize datacenter and PC and to instead focus on its core mobile and growing IoT businesses. The result would be a concentrated CPU market largely controlled by Intel/AMD (x86), with the remainder controlled by powerful and far more profitable Arm architectural licensees such as

Deal opponents argue that so long as Arm remains "independent", Arm should take pride and comfort in the success of its customers. But soaring profits for Intel, Apple, Qualcomm, and Amazon have not manifested as a "win" for Arm, or for competition in general. The industry titans will be powerful and competitive, no matter what path Arm takes. The question at hand is whether regulators will approve the Transaction and allow Arm to take the steps needed to enable others to compete.

C. The Transaction represents a unique, once-in-a-generation opportunity to expand and enhance Arm's ecosystem, benefitting the UK and all Arm licensees.

NVIDIA did not approach SoftBank to buy Arm. NVIDIA is a strong supporter of the x86 ecosystem and has developed accelerated computing platforms for x86 PCs and datacenters throughout its history. Intel and AMD make industry-leading CPUs and SoCs suitable for

many industries and products, including NVIDIA's own DGX systems and supercomputers such as Cambridge-1.

Regardless of the Transaction, NVIDIA will continue to support x86 and work with Intel, AMD, and others in the x86 ecosystem. The x86 platform will always be important to the industry, and NVIDIA is committed to support it for the long haul. For example, NVIDIA is developing its Omniverse platform—the foundation for the next generation, 3D worldwide web—on x86 systems. Ideally, however, the industry would have other options as well.

Along with its long-term support for x86, NVIDIA has been an Arm licensee for many years.

When SoftBank approached NVIDIA with the possibility to buy Arm, the Parties realized that NVIDIA would be uniquely suited to help Arm create new IP and develop a world-class ecosystem that could stand as an alternative to x86, giving customers more choice and growing markets worldwide. A viable alternative ecosystem would spur growth and demand for NVIDIA's platforms. It would encourage the x86 giants to innovate and expand their offerings as well, benefitting NVIDIA.

Arm's limitations as a standalone, IP-licensing only entity, have become apparent over many years. Arm licensees, including Broadcom, Qualcomm and more recently Marvell, have tried and failed to penetrate datacenter and PC. As mere licensees, they were neither able to direct Arm to make the necessary investment in datacenter and PC CPU, nor able to infuse Arm with the ecosystem-building expertise it needs.

The Transaction would materially change Arm's incentives and opportunities. In contrast to a standalone Arm, the Merged Entity would have every incentive, and the ability, to dramatically increase investment in Arm R&D across the board, rather than facing the difficult choices of where to de-invest and face further customer and competitive pressures.

After signing the Share Purchase Agreement, in public statements and binding offers to the UK government, NVIDIA committed to expand Arm's engineering teams in the UK, adding a new UK-based group dedicated to creating purpose-built CPU IP for datacenter and PCs. The enhanced investment in the UK, combined with NVIDIA's technological expertise, would accelerate Arm's product development and the Arm roadmap, allowing Arm to expand its reach into areas that it underserves today.

NVIDIA would also bring its expertise in SoC design, software, accelerators, and system designs to attract software, hardware and system developers to the Arm datacenter ecosystem. NVIDIA would port its platform solutions to Arm, and help developers optimize code for Arm-based accelerated systems.

Thus, the Transaction represents a unique, once-in-a-generation opportunity to expand and enhance Arm's ecosystem in critical markets. NVIDIA's investments in Arm and the UK would deconcentrate CPU markets long dominated by Intel's x86 CPUs, while accelerating Arm's roadmaps for mobile, IoT, and other areas Arm has traditionally served.

Given the strong competition Arm faces from Intel and AMD in every relevant antitrust market and NVIDIA's commitment to maintain Arm's open licensing model, the Parties did not foresee any insurmountable objection to the Transaction.

The Parties' businesses are highly complementary and relate to different levels of the semiconductor value chain. Arm primarily licenses CPU IP for low-power mobile devices, a sector in which NVIDIA is not active.

NVIDIA designs and supplies accelerated computing platforms, including graphics processing units ("GPUs"), for high-end gaming PCs³ and datacenters. NVIDIA supplies its products to PC or server original equipment manufacturers ("OEMs").

Today, NVIDIA is best known for its industry-leading AI-enabled platforms and systems, including the "Cambridge-1" supercomputer NVIDIA built at its own expense and launched in the UK for medical research. (Reflecting Arm's minimal position in the datacenter market, NVIDIA purchased AMD x86 CPUs for the Cambridge-1 supercomputer—no suitable Arm CPU was available.) NVIDIA's investments in AI-related technologies have soared in recent years; most recently, in addition to developing Omniverse on x86 platforms, NVIDIA announced plans to develop "Earth-2": the world's largest and most powerful supercomputer, which will be dedicated to climate science.

In the few areas where NVIDIA uses Arm's CPU IP—primarily datacenter CPUs, SmartNICs (sometimes referred to as "data processing units" or **DPUs**), and autonomous vehicle SoCs—NVIDIA's competitors have numerous alternatives and are not at risk of foreclosure. And NVIDIA is not a potential competitor to Arm in any market. NVIDIA does not license its IP to others and absent the Transaction, has no plans to do so.

D. While NVIDIA and Arm engage with regulators, Arm's competition has been exploiting the delay and moving fast.

NVIDIA, SoftBank, and Arm have been working with regulators at the CMA and worldwide for over a year, explaining how the Transaction will create new opportunities and new alternatives to the dominant x86 platform. Several leading Arm licensees (MediaTek, Broadcom, Marvell) expressed their support for the Transaction, but Intel and Qualcomm, which compete against Arm's own engineering teams and designs, have not.

In the meantime, Intel, Qualcomm, and Arm's other competitors continue to expand their offerings, exploiting the uncertainty surrounding Arm's future.

Intel's x86 licensing program is a direct challenge to Arm. (i)

In March 2021, several months after NVIDIA and SoftBank announced the Transaction, Intel made its countermove, announcing that it will license its dominant x86 CPU IP to chip designers as part of its "foundry services" ("Intel IFS").

Intel heralded IFS as a "meaningful shift in how people think about Arm versus x86." IFS will leverage the power of "a trillion lines of code that have been optimized for the x86" ecosystem.5

High-end gaming PCs are PCs equipped with high-performance discrete GPUs.

Intel CEO says co-designed x86 chips will fend off Arm threat, PC Gamer (Apr. 23, 2021), available at https://www.pcgamer.com/intel-x86-vs-arm-gelsinger/.

Moving rapidly out of the gate, Intel is already competing head-to-head with Arm to supply CPU IP for important customers, targeting cloud service providers. Intel's CEO Pat Gelsinger recently noted "a lot of interest" from a wide range of customers, including interests that include "embedded-like use cases up to HPC use-cases with data center and cloud customers somewhat in the middle of those." 6

Intel and Qualcomm quickly partnered on IFS, and, according to Intel's CEO, Qualcomm is "driving [Intel] to do a more aggressive optimization for power/performance than [its] more performance-centric product lines would be".⁷

IFS is a strong challenge to Arm's efforts in the datacenter and PC markets. Customization was Arm's greatest selling point in the datacenter, as Arm does not have the mature ecosystem or massive R&D resources that Intel can bring to bear. Now Arm's handful of datacenter customers can create custom x86 CPUs that will benefit from the massive x86 code base.

Every Arm customer—including NVIDIA—will now have IFS as a viable option, allowing chip designers to use x86 for every new product generation and line.

For Arm, investing in datacenter and PC has become a high-risk investment.

(ii) RISC-V's momentum is accelerating.

The RISC-V community is also exploiting the regulatory delay and uncertainty. The past year saw a flurry of activity in RISC-V, a threat to Arm in automotive, IoT, and SmartNICs.

In June 2021, for example, SiFive announced its "P550" high-performance CPU IP based on RISC-V, which compares favorably to Arm's contemporary CPU IP block (Cortex-A75), in a smaller package. In December 2021, SiFive announced that its next-generation microarchitecture (available in 2022), the "P650," which targets "high-end servers and other applications requiring large arrays of multiple processor cores."

Meanwhile, in August 2021, Esperanto introduced a "supercomputer-on-a-chip" AI accelerator that uses more than 1,000 CPU cores based on RISC-V.¹⁰ RISC-V vendor Imagination Technologies announced its roadmap for a full line of RISC-V processors, including CPU IP targeting server and autonomous driving applications.¹¹ Imagination and

Intel's Pat Gelsinger on Super Moore's Law Making Multi-Billion Dollar Bets, Tom's Hardware (Oct. 28, 2021), available at https://www.tomshardware.com/news/intels-pat-gelsinger-on-super-moores-law-making-multi-billion-dollar-bets.

Bringing Geek Back: Q&A with Intel CEO Pat Gelsinger, Anandtech (Oct. 29, 2021), available at https://www.anandtech.com/show/17042/bringing-geek-back-qa-with-intel-ceo-pat-gelsinger.

https://www.sifive.com/press/sifive-performance-p550-core-sets-new-standard-as-highest.

[&]quot;SiFive Unveils 64-Bit RISC-V Server Core," EE Times (Dec. 2, 2021), available at https://www.eetimes.com/sifive-unveils-64-bit-risc-v-server-core/#; "SiFive Envisions 128-Core RISC-V SoCs as Gap With x86 and Arm Closes," Tom's Hardware (Oct. 22, 2021), available at https://www.tomshardware.com/news/sifive-develops-ultra-high-performance-risc-v-core.

https://www.esperanto.ai/esperanto-technologies-unveils-energy-efficient-risc-v-based-machine-learning-accelerator-chip-at-hot-chips-33-conference/.

[&]quot;Imagination Technologies unveils Catapult RISC-V CPU family," VentureBeat (Dec. 6, 2021), available at https://venturebeat.com/2021/12/06/imagination-technologies-unveils-catapult-risc-v-cpu-family/.

other RISC-V vendors have a strong incentive not only to compete in the marketplace, but also to the stablished vendors are using more and more RISC-V in their offerings—Renesas is partnering with SiFive to develop jointly next-generation automotive solutions, 12 Intel is deploying RISC-V in certain FPGAs, 13 and Alibaba has released open-source RISC-V processor designs. 14

E. Arm's architectural licensees, including Qualcomm, are competing with (and recruiting from) Arm's implementation IP teams.

The Decision erroneously presumes that architectural licensees such as Apple and Qualcomm demonstrate Arm's success. But the architectural licensees do **not** use Arm's CPU designs. Arm architectural licensees create their **own** proprietary CPU designs using their **own** engineering teams in the United States.

As a result, these architectural licensees *compete* with Arm's own engineers. Their success will *concentrate* the market, because they do *not* license their designs to anyone else. Apple's industry leading M1 processor, for example, was designed entirely by Apple, not Arm. It is captive and available only to Apple.

Arm's architectural licensees, such as Qualcomm, compete head-to-head with the licensees that use Arm's own CPU designs, such as MediaTek. As a result, those architectural licensees would *benefit* from less competitive Arm designs. They would benefit from reduced investment in Arm's own engineering teams. They would also *benefit* if Arm was forced to remain standalone and had to scale back on its R&D to please the public markets. It is no coincidence that the industry's most prominent architectural licensee, Qualcomm, is the party most publicly opposed to the Transaction. The Decision implies that Ampere Computing, another architectural licensee, is against the Transaction as well. MediaTek, Broadcom, and Marvell, all implementation licensees who want Arm's engineering teams to be strong and would benefit from the increased R&D that NVIDIA will provide, support the Transaction.

Since the Parties entered into the Transaction, Arm's architectural licensees have doubled down, seeking to maintain their advantage over Arm's own engineering teams and other downstream customers. Qualcomm, for example, paid \$1.4 billion to acquire NUVIA's CPU design team (comprised of Arm and Apple alumni) and create a proprietary CPU that Qualcomm will keep for itself.¹⁵

Renesas and SiFive Partner to Jointly-Develop Next-Generation High-End RISC-V Solutions for Automotive Applications (April 21, 2021), available at https://www.renesas.com/eu/en/about/press-room/renesas-and-sifive-partner-jointly-develop-next-generation-high-end-risc-v-solutions-automotive.

Nios V Processors, Intel, available at https://www.intel.com/content/www/us/en/products/details/fpga/nios-processor/v.html.

Alibaba's new 16-core CPU will challenge Intel Xeon in datacenters, TechRadar (August 28, 2020), available at https://www.techradar.com/uk/news/alibabas-new-16-core-cpu-will-challenge-intel-xeon-in-datacenters.

Qualcomm's new CEO eyes dominance in the laptop markets, Reuters (July 2, 2021), available at https://www.reuters.com/technology/qualcomms-new-ceo-eyes-dominance-laptop-markets-2021-07-01/.

The Decision appears to be confused by the fact that architectural licensees pay fees to Arm. Those fees compensate Arm for any copyrights and patents embodied in the Arm ISA, as well as verification collateral. But the architectural licensees do *not* use Arm's designs.

As a result, the architectural licensees pose a threat to Arm's implementation IP business. When architectural licensees create implementations that are more advanced or powerful than Arm's own, innovation and competition suffer. Arm ultimately will find it increasingly difficult to fund its own engineering teams to create implementation IP for its implementation licensees who need that IP to compete against the architectural licensees. Instead, Arm could be pressured to further cut back on investment to drive profitability, while Apple and Qualcomm create their proprietary designs and chips for the downstream markets, which cannot be sublicensed to other companies.

This is not a theoretical risk. Arm's architectural licensees are among the most profitable technology companies in the world, larger and far better funded than Arm. The architectural licensees also have the means and incentive to challenge Arm for engineering talent, risking a downward spiral—*i.e.*, Arm must pay more to retain its engineers, which increases Arm's costs, which makes Arm less profitable, which discourages Arm from making further investments in its own implementation IP, which makes Arm less competitive with the architectural licensees (and less competitive with x86), and so on.

The Decision fails to grapple with this threat, but Arm cannot ignore it. The existence of architectural licenses creates pressure on Arm to find the funding to increase resources and scale to compete with designs from powerful semiconductor giants with larger R&D budgets.

F. The Merged Entity would have no ability to foreclose competition.

The Decision contends that Arm has market power, which would allow the Merged Entity to foreclose competition in numerous downstream markets. The Decision's logic and conclusions are flawed.

First, the Decision ignores competition from Intel in every relevant market. Antitrust law preserves *competition*—it does not empower customers and competitors with veto rights over acquisitions. The Decision appears to lose sight of this fundamental principle, contending instead that if enough high-profile Arm customers object to the deal, the Transaction must be anticompetitive and should be blocked.

But even if some customers and competitors are unhappy with Arm's plans, the Transaction has no risk of *foreclosing competition*. In datacenter and PC CPUs, for example, the Merged Entity cannot foreclose Intel, which has been the dominant CPU supplier for over 30 years. Downstream customers have several Intel options—Intel not only offers its own CPU designs, but now also licenses x86 IP for third parties to make their own custom CPU and SoC designs.

The Decision disparages Intel, AMD, and hundreds of RISC-V supporters as forever unable to compete with Arm. No industry observer can seriously contend that Intel, AMD, and Arm's other competitors are so incapable that they cannot even *compete* with Arm. Intel and AMD are the industry leaders, not also-rans. NVIDIA has chosen x86 for its DGX and its supercomputers for good reason. Intel and AMD's CPUs are not going anywhere, and they will compete with Arm for the foreseeable future. With or without the Transaction, Arm cannot foreclose competition.

Second, the Decision ignores the power of Arm's long-term licensee contracts (and Arm's powerful architectural licensees), which ensure that the Merged Entity cannot foreclose its licensees *for many years*, and therefore, cannot foreclose competition. Arm licensees even have perpetual manufacturing rights, which means that they can forever continue to make, use, and sell chips designed during the license term.

Third, the Decision ignores Arm's history and financials. The past few years have been extraordinary for the semiconductor industry, with unprecedented growth. If the CMA's view of Arm were correct and Arm has "market power" in every market, then Arm should have soaring profits, especially with its largest customers (Apple, Qualcomm, Amazon) achieving unprecedented financial returns. But the record reflects that Arm continues to lag far behind its customers. Only one rational conclusion can be drawn: Arm faces significant competition in every relevant market.

G. The Merged Entity will have no incentive to foreclose.

Even if the Merged Entity *could* foreclose competition, it would have no incentive to do so. Rather, the Merged Entity would have every incentive to do exactly what NVIDIA has repeatedly pledged: increase Arm's R&D, grow the ecosystem, and license all existing and prospective customers without discrimination.

The Decision disagrees, suggesting that because NVIDIA makes more money selling its products than Arm makes licensing IP, NVIDIA must have a secret plan to destroy Arm's business, rather than grow it.

The Decision's theory does not hold up to scrutiny. Arm licenses IP for products that will not come to market *for years*. As a result, any foreclosure strategy cannot possibly benefit NVIDIA's downstream sales *for years* (if ever). Yet trying to foreclose Arm licensees would *immediately* reduce Arm's licensing revenue, *immediately* damaging NVIDIA's investment.

No economically rational, publicly traded entity would embrace such a self-defeating strategy. The Decision fails to offer any rational economic theory or other credible explanation for why, in the face of competition from x86 and RISC-V, the Merged Entity would destroy NVIDIA's multibillion dollar investment in an entirely speculative hope of winning more downstream business many years into the future.

The Decision fails to identify *any* evidence—not a single NVIDIA document—suggesting that NVIDIA plans to embark on such a self-defeating foreclosure strategy. To the contrary, the evidence and common sense shows that any foreclosure strategy would not only lead to financial calamity, but as Arm's licensees are also NVIDIA's current customers and suppliers, it also would incur the wrath of NVIDIA's most powerful ecosystem suppliers and customers. The Merged Entity would have no incentive to foreclose.

H. NVIDIA offered legally-binding and easily enforceable guarantees that would give customers and regulators far more assurances and rights than they have today.

Although the Transaction does not give rise to a substantial lessening of competition ("SLC") in any market, NVIDIA has been willing to stand by its promises to Arm and its customers from the outset. With that in mind, NVIDIA offered comprehensive guarantees (which Arm does *not* provide today, and would *not* provide if it went through an IPO) to:

- (i) Implement an open licensing program, with equal and early access available to all Arm licensees,
- (ii) Expand Arm's R&D in the UK and support Arm's product roadmaps,
- (iii) Promote interoperability and allow Arm customers to determine interoperability as they deem fit, and
- (iv) Protect any confidential Arm customer information.

When deal opponents argued that NVIDIA could still somehow keep the "best" Arm IP for itself, NVIDIA offered additional guarantees, pledging to license *any* CPU IP the Merged Entity creates, including any CPU IP generated by *NVIDIA's own CPU design teams*. In other words, NVIDIA would give Arm customers such as Intel, Qualcomm, and others a significant advantage. Arm customers could continue to create their own proprietary CPU designs for themselves, but NVIDIA would keep nothing for itself, and offer *every* CPU design to all Arm licensees.

When deal opponents claimed that the law would be powerless to enforce NVIDIA's contractual and regulatory promises, NVIDIA proposed to create a new and independent entity, the Arm Licensing Co. ("ALC"), that would be solely responsible for negotiating, licensing, and distributing Arm IP to all interested parties, eliminating any concern about discrimination. The ALC would administer contracts with customers and provide support services, eliminating any concern about confidentiality.

NVIDIA would be a passive minority shareholder but would not control the ALC. By its corporate charter, the ALC would be legally obligated to pursue a single purpose: growing the Arm ecosystem, maximizing the revenue available for Arm R&D, and treating *all* Arm customers fairly, without discrimination or unfair preferential access.

Without the Transaction, Arm would be under no such obligations.

I. The Decision ignores Arm's profit motive and erroneously assumes that structural independence guarantees that Arm is (and will remain) "neutral".

The Decision dismisses all remedies without substantive engagement. Instead, the Decision suggests that (i) Arm's long-term, legally binding contracts will not limit NVIDIA's post-close conduct, and (ii) the CMA and regulators worldwide will be powerless to enforce NVIDIA's binding commitments.

The Decision argues that to protect competition, Arm must be "neutral," and that only Arm's structural independence will guarantee neutrality. The Decision also presumes, without any evidence, that a structurally independent Arm will make investment and roadmap decisions that will promote competition. The Decision's premise and conclusion are flawed.

First, the Decision fails to recognize that while Arm is open, it is **not** strictly "neutral" today. To the contrary, the evidence reveals that Arm consistently seeks to maximize its own profits, like any other private business. For example, Arm previously allowed that select other customers to pay a premium for early access to CPU IP with a performance boost that Arm did not make available to other licensees until later. Arm also operates a limited "Lead Partner" program, with select licensees given priority access to Arm IP, for a fee.

Arm's contract terms, license fees and royalties vary across licensees. Arm gave the world's most powerful entities, the right to create their own proprietary instructions, allowing them to leverage their market power over their software to chips. Arm made sizable financial investments in certain customers (e.g., Ampere and Marvell), but not others, and has a greater financial interest in their success.

Second, the Decision does not present any rational economic theory supporting the assumption that Arm's structural independence ensures that it will treat all customers the same. Economic theory holds that as an independent entity, Arm will continue to act in its own profit-maximizing self-interest.

The Decision ignores this inconvenient truth. Where profitable, standalone Arm could continue to favor some licensees over others, grant preferential licensing terms, and benefit its largest and most powerful customers. If an Arm licensee gave Arm a highly profitable offer for exclusive early access, standalone Arm could grant such rights, if it wished. NVIDIA has made a binding, enforceable offer to do no such thing.

Third, the Decision does not present any evidence or economic theory supporting its argument that Arm's structural independence means that it would make investment decisions that would promote downstream competition. Rather, Arm would make investment decisions that benefit standalone Arm, and please its new investors. Where Arm has less to gain from a market (such as datacenter and PC), Arm would be less inclined to invest.

The Decision fails to grapple with this economic reality. A hypothetic standalone post-IPO Arm would have an incentive to cut costs in the UK and worldwide, jettison unprofitable projects, and increase revenues to please its future shareholders. Such cuts would benefit the industry's dominant players, who have little interest in seeing Arm enable others.

The CMA insists that Arm must forever be locked into its current form, and that any "change in incentives" is harmful to competition. The Transaction will change Arm's incentives, but to the *benefit* of competition, not to its harm. The Merged Entity will have a far *greater* incentive to invest in markets that Arm may otherwise be forced to neglect, an incentive to grow Arm's R&D teams in the UK and elsewhere, and reason to pour resources and technology into a broad effort to grow Arm's ecosystem.

J. The UK's extended review will not benefit Arm or promote competition.

The Transaction is not nearly as complicated as the Decision would suggest. In every relevant market, Arm faces powerful competition that it cannot foreclose, and with that, the CMA's review should have concluded that the Transaction does not give rise to a concern in any market.

Nonetheless, deal opponents urge the CMA to block the Transaction. That outcome may please the world's most powerful and profitable technology companies, but it would not help Arm, drive innovation, or preserve competition. Rather, it will likely lead to less investment in the UK, less resources for Arm, less innovation, and less competition worldwide.

Offering concrete and enforceable guarantees, NVIDIA has pledged to help build an innovative, non-discriminatory Arm that would increase investment in the UK, and create and democratize world leading Arm IP. Over a year has passed since the Transaction was announced, and for Arm, time is of the essence. With Arm's adversaries moving quickly

worldwide, and the Decision urging Arm's perpetual "independence", an opportunity for Arm and the UK is slipping away.

2. DATACENTER CPUs

Citing customer testimonials, the Decision jumps to the conclusion that standalone Arm is finally poised to conquer the datacenter market and relegate Intel, AMD, and x86 to also-ran status. But even Arm's most ardent supporters do not believe that x86 will suddenly disappear from the datacenter market. To the contrary, Arm's most optimistic projections (before Intel launched IFS) did not portend Intel's demise, conceding that Intel will account for a large majority of the datacenter CPU market for the foreseeable future. From an antitrust perspective, that should have been the end of the matter; if Intel cannot be foreclosed, there can be no SLC on the market for datacentre CPUs.

A. Summary of the Parties' activities

Arm develops and licenses general-purpose CPU IP and does not supply CPUs. **NVIDIA** does not license CPU IP to others, and today, NVIDIA does not currently have a datacenter CPU product.¹⁶

B. No ability to foreclose

(i) No ability to foreclose Intel (or AMD)

The Decision notes that Arm's few datacenter customers are happy with Arm, and therefore, declares that Arm has market power that NVIDIA could abuse.

Satisfied customers are not an antitrust market. Arm-based/compatible datacenter CPUs indisputably compete with Intel (and AMD), which dominates the downstream market for datacenter CPUs with x86-based processors (>95% share in terms of volume and value). Arm-based/compatible CPUs account for only 6 of the overall market for datacenter CPUs in terms of value in 2020 (and only 6 in terms of volume).

In the face of these facts, the Decision claims "that the importance of x86-based Datacentre CPUs downstream for server OEMs is declining based on Intel's decreasing share of supply"—pointing to Intel's decline from by volume and by value between 2018 and 2020.¹⁷ The Decision ignores the obvious explanation—Intel has primarily lost share to AMD (another x86-based supplier), not to Arm-based designs, which still represent a tiny fraction of the addressable market. As industry expert The Next Platform observed, "[w]e don't hear of a single big HPC system in the United States that does not have AMD CPUs." 18

The CMA cannot dispute that the x86 ecosystem dwarfs Arm's. The x86 ISA is ubiquitous in datacenters, and has been for decades, leading to the development of an enormous software and developer ecosystem. The x86 ecosystem has "one trillion lines of code" optimized for

NVIDIA is currently developing an Arm-compatible datacenter CPU (Grace), intended for a narrow sliver of the datacenter space.

The Decision, para. 7.37.

AMD Rides The High Performance Computing Megacycle, The Next Platform (January 26, 2021), available at https://www.nextplatform.com/2021/01/26/amd-rides-the-high-performance-computing-megacycle/.

its architecture, creating a compelling reason for customers to choose x86 over Arm. ¹⁹ These lines of code support critical software offerings that are directly available on x86 but unavailable on Arm, including Microsoft's enterprise apps, Salesforce, Adobe, SAP, Oracle ERP, Workday, ServiceNow, and Intuit. The fabric of the 3D worldwide web, powered by NVIDIA's Omniverse, is being developed based *entirely* on x86 systems, not on Arm. The lack of a competitive Arm ecosystem is also corroborated by Broadcom, Qualcomm and Marvell's exit from the general-purpose Arm-based CPU IP datacenter market segment.

Despite this, the Decision attempts to disqualify x86 from consideration on the grounds that Intel is "proprietary IP or self-supply (including Intel, AMD and IBM), not currently available to third parties".²⁰ This curious criticism is misplaced for several reasons.

First, even if "proprietary" IP were not widely available to third parties, CPUs based on that IP still constrain Arm's business. At no point does the CMA suggest that the downstream market can be limited to datacenter CPU suppliers who use only "non-proprietary" CPU IP—and such a distinction would lack any basis in economics or the law.

Second, x86 IP is available to **all** of Arm's customers.²¹ Intel is directly targeting Arm's narrow toehold in datacenter, enabling customers to use Intel IP to create custom chips.²² Arm's highest-profile datacenter customer, Amazon, has already lined up as one of Intel's first IFS customers.²³ Dozens of other customers have already engaged with Intel, which is "opening the doors" to Intel IP and causing a "meaningful shift in how people think about Arm."²⁴

The Decision dismisses Intel's licensing program, suggesting that downstream customers will shun x86 IP and refuse to collaborate with Intel.²⁵ Aside from being economically irrational, that would be surprising to Intel and the dozens of customers that have already engaged with it.²⁶

¹⁹ Transcript of INTC Q1 2021 Earnings Call (April 22, 2021).

The Decision, para. 7.26.

Intel CEO Pat Gelsinger Announces 'IDM 2.0' Strategy for Manufacturing, Innovation and Product Leadership, Intel (March 23, 2021), available at https://www.intel.com/content/www/us/en/newsroom/news/idm-manufacturing-innovation-product-leadership.html#gs.aeohs7; INTC Q1 2020 Earnings Call (Apr. 22, 2021), at p. 18-19.

Intel: The Empire Strikes Back," Seeking Alpha (May 12, 2021), available at https://seekingalpha.com/article/4427816-intel-the-empire-strikes-back ("Pat Gelsinger certainly wasn't shy about name-dropping potential customers, such as the cloud providers as well as possibly Apple.... [I]f a cloud service provider wanted to take Intel's x86 cores and create their own chips based on these cores, this would be completely possible—in the process effectively sidestepping the Intel client or data center business. This could hence be seen as an alternative to Arm's Neoverse effort. Whether this eventually results in x86-based AWS Graviton instances remains to be seen. But it does provide a clear, perhaps even visionary, response to some of the concerns of those players developing their own (Armbased) silicon, at least in principle" (emphasis added).

Intel to build Qualcomm chips, aims to catch foundry rivals by 2025, Reuters (July 26, 2021), available at https://www.reuters.com/technology/intel-build-qualcomm-chips-aims-catch-foundry-rivals-by-2025-2021-07-26/.

²⁴ INTC Q1 2021 Earnings Call (Apr. 22, 2021), at p. 18-19.

The Decision, para. 7.37.

For example, Intel is collaborating with Qualcomm on foundry opportunities. As Mr. Gelsinger explained, "For instance, our engagement with Qualcomm. They're driving us to do a more aggressive

In fact, in a recent interview, Intel's CEO Pat Gelsinger explained why Intel expects to continue to win against Arm in the datacenter:

"And when you think about the datacenter space, the role of Arm is very minimal today, and us getting our act together, I think it stays that way. I just don't see that people want to go through all that hard, heavy lifting of changing the software environment for another architecture if there [aren't] major [total cost of ownership] advantages on the table – and there [aren't] if we've done our job well in that respect." 27

Over the next few years (before Arm licensee contracts expire) every Arm licensee, including NVIDIA itself, will have an opportunity to consider Intel IFS.

The Decision brushes Intel's progress aside, arguing that Intel's success in datacenter— Intel's core market and a space it has dominated for decades—is simply too uncertain to be given credit as a material competitive constraint. But Intel, not Arm, is the datacenter incumbent, with the attendant advantages. Arm's datacenter CPU IP is not designed from the ground up for the datacenter, ²⁸ and there are multiple examples of Arm-based datacenter CPU suppliers that tried and exited the market, including Qualcomm, Broadcom, and Marvell. ²⁹

Today's cutting-edge technologies and systems, including NVIDIA's Omniverse and Cambridge-1 supercomputers, are based on x86 CPUs, not Arm. Whatever the CMA may think about Intel and AMD, it cannot dismiss x86 as serious competition for the foreseeable future, and that, alone, defeats any SLC.

optimization for power/performance than our more performance-centric product lines would be, so they're making IDM better by the engagement with IFS customers, standardized PDKs, and other things." See Intel's Pat Gelsinger on Super Moore's Law Making Multi-Billion Dollar Bets, Tom's Hardware (October 28, 2021), available at https://www.tomshardware.com/news/intels-pat-gelsinger-on-supermoores-law-making-multi-billion-dollar-bets. See also Intel: The Empire Strikes Back, Seeking Alpha (May 12, 2021), available at https://seekingalpha.com/article/4427816-intel-the-empire-strikes-back ("Pat Gelsinger certainly wasn't shy about name-dropping potential customers, such as the cloud providers as well as possibly Apple. . . . [I]f a cloud service provider wanted to take Intel's x86 cores and create their own chips based on these cores, this would be completely possible—in the process effectively sidestepping the Intel client or data center business. This could hence be seen as an alternative to Arm's Neoverse effort. Whether this eventually results in x86-based AWS Graviton instances remains to be seen. But it does provide a clear, perhaps even visionary, response to some of the concerns of those players developing their own (Arm-based) silicon, at least in principle."). Intel now identifies Qualcomm as one of its top strategic customers. See Intel Calls Qualcomm A Top Strategic Account In Sales Reorg Memo, CRN, November 10, 2021, available at https://www.crn.com/news/componentsperipherals/intel-calls-qualcomm-a-top-strategic-account-in-sales-reorg-memo.

Intel CEO says AMD's time is 'over', PCWorld (October 4, 2021), available at https://www.pcworld.com/article/540875/intel-eco-says-amds-time-is-over.html.

²⁸ NVIDIA-CMA-007845211.

Qualcomm's new CEO eyes dominance in the laptop markets, Reuters (July 2, 2021), available at https://www.reuters.com/technology/qualcomms-new-ceo-eyes-dominance-laptop-markets-2021-07-01/ ("Qualcomm has no plans to build its own products to enter the other big market for CPUs—data centers for cloud computing companies."). See Broadcom quietly dismantles its 'Vulcan' ARM server chip project, The Register (December 7, 2016), available at https://www.theregister.com/2016/12/07/broadcom_arm_processor_vulcan/.

(ii) No ability to foreclose RISC-V or other alternatives to Arm

The Decision also dismisses the looming threat posed by RISC-V, noting that today, thirdparty datacenter CPU suppliers report that they prefer Arm.³⁰ The question is not whether Arm's existing customers prefer Arm today. They obviously selected Arm over RISC-V in the first place. Rather, the question is whether hypothetically, if the Merged Entity were to refuse to license future datacenter IP as soon as it can (which is many years down the road), customers could pursue other alternatives at that time. The Decision does not grapple with that question, simply assuming that RISC-V will forever trail Arm, and never be competitive.

Given the long timeframe at issue (customers *already* have the IP in their possession, and it will be many years before their contracts are up for renewal) and the significant international effort underway on RISC-V, the CMA cannot presume that RISC-V will fail. RISC-V has two potential advantages over Arm today—it is both less expensive and more customizable than Arm. Even if customers prefer Arm today, RISC-V creates a very real competitive constraint.

The trade press is filled with the steady drumbeat of recent public announcements supporting RISC-V. SiFive announced server-class CPU IP based on RISC-V, available in 2022.³¹ At least one vendor has already produced a "demo board" for a high-performance computing server based on SiFive CPU IP.³² Imagination Technologies has likewise announced a full stack of CPU IP based on RISC-V, specifically targeting the Arm stack of microcontrollers and microprocessors.³³ The RISC-V standard itself has been advanced to support developments in AI and machine learning.³⁴ Alibaba developed RISC-V CPU chip designs for the datacenter, which they have released on an open-source basis and which they are continuing to develop. 35 SiFive and others also supply chips based on their own CPU designs.

The CMA does not address the critical question: if RISC-V is as uncompetitive as the Decision claims, why are so many industry leaders around the world pursuing it? Sophisticated firms are spending billions of dollars on RISC-V for a reason. RISC-V is a very real competitive constraint, and the CMA cannot ignore it.

(iii) No ability to foreclose architectural licensees

The Decision also fails to address the impact of Arm's architectural licensees. Arm's architectural licensees, including Apple, Qualcomm/NUVIA, Marvell, Ampere and

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³⁰ The Decision, paras. 7.17 to 7.19.

See SiFive Unveils 64-Bit RISC-V Server Core, EETimes (December 2, 2021), available at https://www.eetimes.com/sifive-unveils-64-bit-risc-v-server-core/#. https://www.tomshardware.com/news/sifive-announces-p650-riscv; and see https://www.cnet.com/tech/mobile/sifives-new-risc-v-chip-challenges-decades-old-computing-designs/.

³² See https://www.tomshardware.com/news/risc-v-cluster-demonstrated. As this article notes, the demo board being sampled is designed to help other vendors test their software and develop an "ecosystem" around RISC-V CPUs for the datacenter.

³³ https://www.anandtech.com/show/17104/imagination-launches-catapult-family-of-riscv-cpu-cores.

³⁴ https://www.notebookcheck.net/RISC-V-specifications-update-brings-improved-machine-learningvirtualization-and-encryption-instructions.582665.0.html.

³⁵ https://www.cnx-software.com/2021/10/20/alibaba-open-source-risc-v-cores-xuantie-e902-e906-c906and-c910/.

Microsoft, do *not* need to rely on Arm's CPU designs. Rather, the architectural licensees have designed their *own* CPUs compatible with the Arm ISA.

The Decision fails to recognize that Arm has *already* granted all the rights that architectural licensees need to compete. Neither Arm nor the Merged Entity can foreclose Arm's architectural licensees—they do not need anything further to design their own CPUs. For example, **NUVIA** (now owned by Qualcomm) created its *own* CPU design to compete with Intel, AMD, and Arm's other licensees. NUVIA's CEO, a former CPU developer at Arm and Apple, explained that NUVIA would not use Arm's "off-the-shelf" IP and emphasized that NUVIA's custom Arm-compatible CPUs will compete with Arm's own IP:

"This is a server-class CPU, with an SoC surrounding it, and it is designed to be the clear-cut winner on each of those categories – and in totality," says Carvill, throwing down the gauntlet to all of the remaining CPU players, who each have their own ideas about how to take on Intel's hegemony. "And we are not talking about the incremental performance improvements that we have come to expect over the past five years. We are talking about really meaningful, significant, double-digit performance improvements over what anyone has seen before.... What we are doing is custom, and we will not be using off the shelf, licensed cores. We are going to use an Arm ISA, but we are doing it as a clean sheet architecture from the ground up that is built for the hyperscaler world." 36

Thus, the Merged Entity cannot foreclose Apple, Qualcomm, and others.

(iv) Arm contracts ensure that the Merged Entity cannot even attempt to foreclose, much less impact downstream markets, for years.

The Decision presumes that the Merged Entity will be able to deprive Arm customers of Arm IP in the very near future. But Arm cannot "claw back" IP from customers—once a customer has created a chip with the IP it has licensed from Arm, it can use that IP to make as many chips as it wants.

Moreover, Arm licensees receive the right to design Arm-based chips for a long duration, often between 2-7 years, and in some cases much longer.

Arm licensees also have perpetual manufacturing rights, allowing them to make, use and sell chips forever. If the Merged Entity suddenly announced that it would breach its contracts (and its commitments to regulators) and refused to license henceforth, licensees could still manufacture and sell Arm-based chips throughout the *next decade*—and sell them for even longer (because all Arm licensees have perpetual manufacturing rights). Licensees would have plenty of time to find alternatives, with no benefit to the Merged Entity for many years. Accordingly, the Merged Entity cannot foreclose Arm customers, even if it wished.

Throwing Down The Gauntlet To CPU Incumbents, The Next Platform (February 11, 2020), available at https://www.nextplatform.com/2020/02/11/throwing-down-the-gauntlet-to-cpu-incumbents (emphasis added).

C. No incentive to foreclose

(i) Attempting to foreclose would be economically irrational.

The Decision argues that when the Transaction closes, NVIDIA will declare that its promises to customers and regulators have been a ruse and will announce itself to be the world's single source of Arm CPUs for datacenters.

Even if that were possible (and it is not), NVIDIA knows that such a strategy would be self-defeating, and has no incentive to pursue it. The Decision does not explain why *any* downstream customer would embrace a sole-source ecosystem. Even x86 has always had two *bona fide* suppliers (Intel and AMD), and now, x86 is licensable to anyone. Unable to explain why NVIDIA would try to foreclose, the Decision argues that Arm's few datacenter customers are so happy with Arm and would never leave, no matter how badly Arm mistreats them. Even if that were true of some customers, the lion's share of the market does not use Arm *at all*, meaning that customers would simply choose x86.

NVIDIA's incentives are straightforward and clear. By improving Arm CPU IP and licensing it to all interested parties, NVIDIA maximizes the probability of expanding the Arm ecosystem in the datacenter, creating new competition with Intel and AMD, and deconcentrating the datacenter CPU market with more CPUs and lower CPU prices. A deconcentrated datacenter CPU market translates into more acceleration opportunities for NVIDIA's GPU business, a fact the Decision ignores.

Furthermore, NVIDIA has every incentive to invest *more* in datacenter IP and *grow* an Arm ecosystem in datacenter, not crush it before it has a chance to succeed. Arm's CPU IP customers currently represent very low single digits of the datacenter market, so the Merged Entity would have little to foreclose. If the Merged Entity could foreclose access to Arm IP for datacenter CPUs, customers would simply turn to Intel IFS/x86, or to other options. No economically rational entity would engage in a foreclosure strategy that guaranteed an immediate loss of licensing revenues and future lost royalties for an uncertain future gain.

(ii) Attempting to foreclose would damage NVIDIA's business and reputation.

Foreclosure would damage NVIDIA's business in a myriad of other ways. Arm's customers are NVIDIA's customers and suppliers—NVIDIA cannot antagonize them.

For example, NVIDIA engages in projects with **AWS**, **Microsoft**, **Google**, and other leading software creators for datacenters. For NVIDIA to succeed, the world's largest software operators and cloud service providers must continue to support NVIDIA-accelerated platforms, and decide to port their software to work on the Arm ISA.

NVIDIA also welcomes collaboration with **Qualcomm**, which is the dominant supplier of 4G and 5G chips. Qualcomm is one of Arm's most important customers due to its leading position in the mobile segment. At the same time,

Accordingly, Qualcomm has immediate power over NVIDIA and Arm, while it enjoys long-term protection for its current and future designs against strategic behavior by the Merged Entity.

Large datacenter customers, including AWS, Google, Microsoft, and leading OEMs, have enormous R&D budgets, purchasing power, and leverage. They can choose from a complete

suite of products from x86 suppliers Intel and AMD (including CPUs and GPUs) or build their own custom products. NVIDIA seeks to work with them, not foreclose them. The Decision's assertion that "the limited alternatives to Arm... will undermine any buyer power (and any contractual protection) that licensees may have"³⁷ does not hold water, in particular given the alternative suppliers outlined above.

D. No SLC in the supply of datacenter CPUs

Compared to a standalone Arm, the Merged Entity will promote competition, not lessen it. Arm datacenter CPUs account for only a sliver of the datacenter CPU market, while the vast majority of datacenter servers use x86 CPUs and would be unaffected by any foreclosure attempt (representing over 95% of the market for datacenter CPUs). The only theoretical area of future foreclosure—new Arm-based CPU cores from implementation licensees—would have no effect on competition in datacenters.

3. DATACENTER SMARTNICS

Relying again on customer testimonials, ignoring competition from x86 and RISC-V, and neglecting the limitations of Arm's business, the Decision contends that the Merged Entity may have the ability and incentive to foreclose competitors in the nascent downstream SmartNIC market.³⁸ To the contrary, the Merged Entity would have every reason to expand Arm's IP and license it to everyone.

A. Summary of the Parties' activities

Arm supplies general-purpose CPU IP which can be used in any processor. Arm's Cortex-A is used in (amongst others) many SmartNICs for their principal processing function.

NVIDIA supplies finished SmartNICs based on the Ethernet and InfiniBand communication protocols.

B. No ability to foreclose

(i) Arm has no market power in CPU IP licensing used in SmartNICs.

SmartNICs are peripheral devices that do not require specific IP. General-purpose CPU IP suitable for SmartNICs is available from a range of suppliers other than Arm, including SiFive and other RISC-V vendors. Nonetheless, the Decision cites an Arm customer that declares "Arm-based processors are an 'essential piece' of a SmartNIC as they have the right mix of power, performance and ability to interface various IP blocks needed in a SmartNIC." 39

Customer satisfaction with an Arm product does not reflect market power. The question is not whether Arm's current customers are satisfied with Arm IP (they chose it, after all) but rather, whether the Merged Entity would have the power to foreclose *competition*.

The Decision, para. 7.65.

The Decision, para. 7.115.

The Decision, para. 7.45(a).

In the hypothetical event of foreclosure, SmartNIC suppliers could switch to any other supplier of CPU technologies for the next generation of SmartNICs. Intel and AMD could turn to their own x86 CPU technology or RISC-V, as Intel recently has for its next generation of "soft processors" for its FPGAs. Other SmartNIC providers could license x86 from Intel or proprietary designs from companies such as Synopsys, buy RISC-V and Power alternatives (*e.g.*, from SiFive, Andes, or MIPS), or take these open-source ISAs and build their own. All

Indeed, SiFive's CPU IP (including its next-generation microarchitecture, which SiFive states "is within reach of Arm's Cortex A78 and Intel's Rocket Lake family" is capable of addressing the requirements of SmartNICs. The Decision fails to provide any reason why RISC-V would not constitute a viable alternative to Arm, especially in the long timeframe at issue.

(ii) Arm licensees are contractually protected against foreclosure.

The same arguments discussed above in relation to the contractual provisions protecting Arm customers in relation to datacenter CPUs also hold true for SmartNICs. As a result, NVIDIA cannot foreclose competition in SmartNICs.

C. No incentive to foreclose

As with datacenter CPUs, the Merged Entity would immediately forgo licensing revenues if it attempted to foreclose new IP, but it would *not* shift any downstream sales for years, if ever.

SmartNIC competitors such as Intel and AMD/Xilinx have demonstrated that state-of-the-art SmartNICs do not need to use the most current Arm IP—they are using Cortex-A53 cores, a decade old. Refusing to grant new licenses to any SmartNIC customers or degrading their terms would merely push the entire SmartNIC market to Intel and AMD, who do not need new Arm IP to succeed. Moreover, as decade-old CPU cores are adequate to make state-of-the-art SmartNICs, Arm competitors such as SiFive, Andes, MIPS, and others would immediately step in and offer CPU cores that are more than adequate.

To the extent that Intel and AMD/Xilinx wish to use new Arm IP over their own x86 designs, NVIDIA has no reason to antagonize them. NVIDIA's products must work with x86 CPUs from **Intel** and **AMD**, as the majority of NVIDIA's revenue continues to be based on x86 systems for the foreseeable future.

D. No SLC in the supply of SmartNICs

Arm customers appreciate Arm IP today, but it does not follow that the Transaction will harm competition. As is the case in the analysis of datacenters, the Decision elevates customer testimonials and complaints over economic reality, the law, and common sense. Even if the

Nios V Processor, Intel, available at https://www.intel.com/content/www/us/en/products/details/fpga/nios-processor/v.html.

See Merger Notice, paras. 589 to 594.

SiFive Envisions 128-Core RISC-V SoCs as Gap With x86 and Arm Closes, Tom's Hardware (October 22, 2021), available at https://www.tomshardware.com/news/sifive-develops-ultra-high-performance-risc-v-core.

Merged Entity wished to follow an irrational foreclosure strategy, it could not foreclose competition in SmartNICs, and would have no incentive to do so.

4. DATACENTER CONGLOMERATE EFFECTS

The Decision raises a series of "conglomerate" fears, arguing that the Merged Entity might find a way to combine NVIDIA and Arm technology to hurt competitors.

A. The Merged Entity would not have the ability to engage in tying or bundling.

The Decision contends that the Merged Entity will tie or bundle, citing vague and unsubstantiated allegations that NVIDIA has engaged in "aggressive bundled pricing." 43

However, the Decision does not explain why the CMA is criticizing NVIDIA for charging *low* prices to customers—that is the essence of competition and should be exactly what the CMA wants to see.

In any event, the Merged Entity would have no ability to engage in merger-specific tying or bundling. Arm licenses IP that customers design into chips that will not reach the downstream market *for years*. NVIDIA sells GPUs and associated platforms to downstream customers that will be used in datacenters *immediately*.

The Merged Entity cannot tie or bundle the Arm and NVIDIA products because the customers are different and the purchasing decisions are made at entirely different times.

The Decision raises another theory that is not merger specific, claiming that "the common set of third parties demanding NVIDIA's products and Arm-based products in datacentre will grow." That is not a legitimate objection to the Transaction. Even if more customers want bundles of NVIDIA and Arm-based downstream products, that concern has nothing to do with the Transaction—any Arm licensee, including NVIDIA, can sell its own accelerators and Arm-based products together.

Even if NVIDIA offered discounted "mixed bundles" of Arm-compatible CPUs (which NVIDIA does not make today) and other NVIDIA components, it could not foreclose Intel and AMD, which have their own ability to create CPU bundles with x86.

B. The Merged Entity would not have the ability to foreclose by degrading interoperability or distorting Arm technology.

The Decision accuses NVIDIA of planning engineering mischief, contending that the Merged Entity will find a way to modify the interoperability of Arm-based datacenter CPUs and SmartNICs to (1) *enhance* the interoperability between various NVIDIA products and, simultaneously, (2) *undermine* the interoperability between competitors' Arm-based CPUs and NVIDIA products.⁴⁵

The Decision does not explain how the Merged Entity could accomplish such a remarkable feat. Instead, the Decision recites a list of NVIDIA technologies (NVLink, CUDA) and

The Decision, para. 7.93.

The Decision, para. 7.97.

⁴⁵ The Decision, paras 7.100 and 7.108.

claims that NVIDIA might "sell [...] product combinations more effectively through modifying product interoperability in NVIDIA's favour." ⁴⁶

The Decision's theory is wildly off-base.

First, Arm's customers, *not* Arm, make their own CPUs, and they have complete control over the chip interfaces they use. The Merged Entity cannot change that fact.

Second, interoperability is not determined by any Arm product—rather, interoperability is determined by the chip itself (*e.g.*, an SoC) that *surrounds* the Arm IP. Arm does not supply the input/output IP for these chips and has no insight (and no need for insight) into customers' interoperability choices.

Furthermore, even if NVIDIA could somehow distort Arm IP to benefit itself, the Merged Entity could not do *anything* to foreclose Intel and AMD's suite of chips, or foreclose the architectural licensees such as Apple, Qualcomm, and Microsoft. The concern is a red herring.

C. No incentive to foreclose

The Decision ignores reality, contending that NVIDIA will seek to foreclose because it would only lose "some CPU IP licensing revenues."⁴⁷ To the contrary, the Merged Entity has no incentive, ability, or expertise to engage in such far-fetched schemes.

First, any attempt to foreclose datacenter CPU, GPU or SmartNIC suppliers (especially Intel and AMD) would jeopardize NVIDIA's business in the x86 ecosystem, which is far larger than the Arm space.

Second, any attempted foreclosure would destroy NVIDIA's investment in Arm, because it would (i) undermine the creation of the ecosystem network effects that are crucial to Arm's success in datacenters; (ii) reduce third parties' and customers' incentives to buy into the Arm ecosystem; (iii) not allow NVIDIA to benefit from the diversification of risks downstream; and (iv) jeopardize customers' trust in and commitment to the Arm ecosystem in the datacenter market (and in other markets).

D. No SLC

No conglomerate strategy could result in a substantial lessening of competition in datacenter; nothing the Merged Entity can do would foreclose Intel and AMD.

5. GENERAL-PURPOSE PCS AND CONSOLES

The Decision raises concerns about two other areas where x86 is dominant—general-purpose PCs⁴⁸ and high-end gaming consoles ("Consoles").

Regarding general-purpose PCs, the Decision simply states that after a year, "the CMA has not been able to investigate [the general-purpose PCs] area sufficiently to come to a

The Decision, para. 7.80.

The Decision, para. 7.106(d).

General-purpose PCs are PCs which are not equipped with high-performance discrete GPUs (*i.e.*, PCs which are not high-end gaming PCs).

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conclusion as to whether there is a realistic prospect of an SLC."⁴⁹ NVIDIA is not present in PC CPUs, and the analysis of the general-purpose PC market could not be more straightforward.

The Decision offers little more in Consoles, where NVIDIA competes, but x86 controls most of the market.⁵⁰

A. Summary of the Parties' activities

Arm does not supply PC CPUs or Consoles; it licenses general-purpose CPU IP that is used primarily for SoCs in mobile devices. Arm's general-purpose CPU IP is also used in some PC SoCs, but its adoption rate has been *de minimis* (market share by volume and by value in 2018-2020).

Arm's implementation licensees for PCs are Qualcomm (although Qualcomm also has an architectural license and has acquired another one following its purchase of NUVIA) and MediaTek, whose market shares by volume are less than % and %, respectively, in 2018-2020 (less than % in terms of value for both licensees). 51,52 Arm's market share in CPU IP for PC SoCs is not expected to grow materially in the foreseeable future, regardless of Apple's transition to the Arm ISA.

Arm has no meaningful presence in PC GPUs; its GPU IP is designed for mobile, not PC.53

Arm does not supply any gaming components, or design IP targeted at Consoles (nor does Arm currently have any plans to develop such an offering in the future).

NVIDIA does not make PC CPUs. NVIDIA's GEFORCE GPU business is complementary to CPUs. Today, the overwhelming majority of NVIDIA's GEFORCE business and R&D effort supports x86 CPUs and platforms.

In Consoles, NVIDIA supplies semi-custom SoCs for Consoles (specifically, Nintendo Switch). NVIDIA does not license the GPU IP technology that enables it to compete effectively in the supply of Console SoCs.

B. No ability to foreclose

Intel's x86 CPUs dominate the PC space; Arm's presence in general-purpose PCs is *de minimis* and no Arm ecosystem exists in general-purpose PCs. Arm licensees such as Qualcomm and Apple have architectural licenses and make their own IP to compete with Intel in PCs—they do not use Arm's designs and cannot be foreclosed.

⁴⁹ The Decision, para. 8.8.

The Decision, para. 7.238.

⁵¹ Market shares by proxy of downstream SoC sales.

Arm cores are only used in the following Windows PCs (all of them laptops): Lenovo IdeaPad 5G, Samsung Galaxy Book S LTE, ASUS NovaGo TP370QL, HP Elite Folio, and Microsoft Surface Pro X. All of them were launched in or after 2020. Arm cores are also used in Chromebook devices.

Arm is not tracked by industry analysts such as IDC and Mercury. To the extent that a few Chromebook OEMs use Arm Mali, they would do so using mobile SoCs and this would be included in the market shares provided to the CMA for mobiles and other iOS and Android devices.

As Apple's former head of Mac development, Jean-Louis Gassée, observed in relation to Apple, this means that "Apple designs its own Silicon and has a perpetual Architecture License that gives them total freedom" and, consequently, the Transaction would have no "strategic impact on Apple". This applies equally to Qualcomm/NUVIA. The Merged Entity would have no ability to profit from any foreclosure strategy in PC.

In Consoles, three customers purchase semi-custom SoCs—Sony (PlayStation), Microsoft (Xbox), and Nintendo (Switch). AMD currently (and exclusively) supplies SoCs for both Xbox and PlayStation, while NVIDIA supplies Nintendo. Intel may enter in the future, ⁵⁵ although the Decision does not identify Intel (or anyone else) as a potential competitor.

Both AMD and Intel design SoCs based on their x86 CPU and GPU technologies and are therefore not Arm-dependent. The Merged Entity obviously cannot foreclose AMD's x86 SoCs, and therefore, cannot foreclose competition in Consoles.

Nevertheless, the Decision argues that other Arm licensees *might* in the future wish to compete with Intel and AMD in the general-purpose PC and Console markets. The CMA's Merger Assessment Guidelines make clear that, when considering potential entry by third parties as a countervailing factor, only entry that is *timely* (typically within two years), ⁵⁶ likely and sufficient is relevant. It would be incongruous for the CMA to apply a different standard when considering potential entry in this case. It is clear that any hypothetical entry in this space would be neither timely, nor likely.

The Decision does not identify any Arm-based PC or Console SoC supplier that (i) could make a competitive SoC in that timeframe, and (ii) does not *already* have the Arm license it needs to do so.

Even if the CMA could identify any such potential competitor, Intel's decision to license its x86 CPU IP would grant any such entrants an alternative to Arm that already has established success in the PC and Console space.

C. No incentive to foreclose

NVIDIA has no incentive to foreclose in PCs or Consoles. Even if NVIDIA chooses to enter the PC CPU space, its primary competitor would be Intel (and AMD) x86 CPUs, not other Arm customers. If the Merged Entity refused to license IP to any potential Console entrant, Intel or the RISC-V licensors would do so. Attempting to foreclose competition in PC and Console would be just as irrational as in datacenter, and for all the same reasons: the attempt could not possibly help NVIDIA's downstream sales for years (if ever), would destroy Arm's business, and harm NVIDIA's reputation. And of course, as discussed in Section 2.B(iv), above, Arm licensees are contractually protected against any foreclosure attempt by the Merged Entity.

See https://twitter.com/gassee/status/1305025521428774912.

Intel is expected to release a GPU dedicated to gaming in Q1 2022. See Intel's Arc GPUs will compete with GeForce and Radeon in early 2022, ArsTechnica (August 16, 2021), available at https://arstechnica.com/gadgets/2021/08/intels-arc-gpus-will-compete-with-geforce-and-radeon-in-early-2022.

⁵⁶ CMA Merger Assessment Guidelines, para. 8.33.

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D. No SLC

NVIDIA seeks to grow and enhance Arm's IP in PC, and to license it broadly, helping Arm to build an ecosystem in PC. NVIDIA's strategy would undeniably benefit Arm, the UK, and Arm customers worldwide, not harm competition. The Transaction will spur competition in Consoles, as NVIDIA will have an incentive to enhance Arm's IP to compete with x86 chips from Intel and AMD.

6. INTERNET OF THINGS

The Decision contends that the Transaction will create an SLC in the "Internet of Things". But NVIDIA is *not* a commodity IoT chipmaker and does not participate in the broad IoT market that concerns the CMA. To the contrary, NVIDIA is pioneering a nascent and narrow space, where Intel's x86 is the primary competitor.

A. Summary of the Parties' activities

Arm licenses general-purpose IP that can be integrated into SoCs for use in IoT devices. Its Cortex-M and -R series of CPU cores are optimized for low-cost and energy-efficient microcontrollers ("MCUs") and can perform low-performance ("LP") IoT functionalities. Arm also licenses IP that can be integrated into high-performance ("HP") IoT devices. Within HP IoT, most of Arm's customers focus on high-volume applications that do not require intensive AI analytics, such as wearables, smart TVs and cameras.

NVIDIA is active in only a narrow area related to IoT, "Autonomous HP IoT" (*i.e.*, computationally-intensive applications such as machine learning and AI). NVIDIA does not offer products for the LP IoT or other HP IoT applications. In addition, NVIDIA does not license any of its own IP on a revenue-generating basis.⁵⁷

Autonomous HP IoT focuses on compute-intensive applications that NVIDIA targets with its GPU and software offerings. NVIDIA's leading GPU architecture, software stack, and tools for autonomous applications differentiate NVIDIA's Autonomous HP IoT offerings.

The Decision mischaracterizes NVIDIA's activities (and, consequently, mischaracterizes the vertical relationship between the Parties), claiming that NVIDIA offers "entry-level" IoT products. To the contrary, NVIDIA's "entry-level" (*i.e.*, Jetson Nano), "mid-range" and "high-performance" products are *not* general purpose IoT devices—they are *all* part of the narrow HP IoT niche that NVIDIA is pursuing.

B. No ability to foreclose

(i) Intel, the leading competitor in the nascent segment that NVIDIA targets, does not rely on Arm IP and cannot be foreclosed.

NVIDIA is not a commodity chipmaker for IoT. Rather, NVIDIA focuses on a narrow segment where Intel's x86 platforms are the primary competitor.

For completeness, NVIDIA licenses its NVDLA design, a deep learning accelerator to execute machine learning algorithms, to third parties on a royalty-free, open-source basis to promote the adoption of deep-learning inferencing in third-party designs and IoT devices.

The Decision, para. 7.123.

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The Decision concedes that Intel does not use Arm IP for Autonomous HP IoT and therefore, cannot be foreclosed. Nonetheless, the Decision dismisses Intel as a meaningful competitor, contending that "Intel-based SoCs are power and cost-inefficient for IoT applications generally." ⁵⁹

NVIDIA is not active in the market "for IoT applications generally." Rather, NVIDIA competes with Intel in the nascent Autonomous HP IoT market, where Intel is NVIDIA's strongest competitor. Intel will continue to be a significant competitive constraint on the Merged Entity, thanks to its large and expanding portfolio, ⁶⁰ large customer base, and vast R&D capacities. Intel's use of x86-based in-house designs for its Autonomous HP IoT solutions precludes any hypothetical attempt at foreclosure. ⁶¹

(ii) Arm has no market power in the narrow market that NVIDIA pursues.

Even if the Decision could ignore Intel and x86, Arm has no market power in the nascent space that matters for this analysis—Autonomous HP IoT.

NVIDIA's future competitors in Autonomous HP IoT could use any of several alternative CPU IP suppliers including RISC-V, MIPS, or Power, or even develop in-house technologies. Future competitors do not need the newest Arm CPU to compete in Autonomous HP IoT—they can develop their own GPUs or accelerators, just as NVIDIA has done. For example, some versions of NVIDIA's Jetson platform use a very old version of Arm's CPU IP (*i.e.*, Arm Cortex-A57) dating back to 2012.

Furthermore, future competitors do not need to use Arm IP for software compatibility—Autonomous HP IoT devices run custom, embedded programs, not a large library of third-party software. For example, Jetson developers write their software for their own Autonomous HP IoT solutions, not for others. In other words, the Arm ISA does not have a significant software "lock in" effect in the Autonomous HP IoT space—and even if customers wanted to shift to other hardware, they can port their software to a competing CPU ISA, such as RISC-V.

The Decision again notes that Arm customers in the IoT space are happy with Arm's IP and performance. Customer testimonials are beside the point. The question is not whether Arm customers appreciate its IP—they do—but rather, whether Arm has *market power* that the Merged Entity could abuse, and in the Autonomous HP IoT space, Arm does not.

C. No incentive to foreclose

Any attempt at foreclosure in the Autonomous HP IoT segment could not be profitable because NVIDIA's primary competitor is Intel, not Arm's other customers. The effort would be just as irrational as in datacenter, and for all the same reasons: the attempt could not

The Decision, para. 7.132.

In 2020, Intel continued to expand its industrial and Autonomous HP IoT offerings by launching several new products, including the 11th Gen Intel Core processors, Intel Atom x6000E series processors, Pentium processors, and CeleronN and J series processors.

Intel's platforms use the x86 ISA. They also include a "Programmable Services Engine" (PSE) with an Arm Cortex-M7 microcontroller. See Driving performance, integration, and versatility with Intel's first Enhanced for IoT platform, Intel Platform Brief, available at https://www.intel.com/content/dam/www/public/us/en/documents/platform-briefs/enhanced-for-iot-platform-brief.pdf.

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possibly help NVIDIA's downstream sales for years (if ever), would destroy Arm's business, and harm NVIDIA's reputation. And of course, as discussed in Section 2.B(iv), above, Arm licensees are contractually protected against any foreclosure attempt by the Merged Entity.

D. No SLC

The Transaction presents no SLC in any area of IoT. Even if the Merged Entity had the ability and incentive to attempt to foreclose downstream rivals, which it does not, such a strategy would not harm effective competition in relation to HP IoT applications (notwithstanding that is not the relevant downstream market, as explained above). Existing and prospective entrants are not dependent on Arm's IP, as they can use rival IP (x86, RISC-V, MIPS) or develop their own in-house technologies swiftly.⁶²

To be clear, although NVIDIA does not compete in the broad IoT market or plan to enter it, NVIDIA does not intend to allow Arm's position in IoT to atrophy and cede the IP licensing field to Arm's competitors. Rather, NVIDIA is committed to support Arm's roadmap and to accelerate innovation in that space.

7. AUTOMOTIVE (ADAS AND INFOTAINMENT)

Finally, the Decision contends that the Transaction will cause an SLC in automotive markets for Advanced Driver Assistance Systems ("ADAS") and infotainment. As with every other market, the Decision ignores the impact of Intel and AMD's platforms and products (including Mobileye), mischaracterizes the limits on Arm's business, and misstates NVIDIA's position.

A. Summary of the Parties' activities

Arm does not supply SoCs for automotive applications. Rather, it licenses IP to semiconductor vendors. **NVIDIA** supplies finished SoCs and SoC-based platform solutions, primarily for autonomous driving. NVIDIA does not create new designs for "legacy" infotainment, but instead focuses on computation-intensive AI-enabled solutions that benefit from NVIDIA's unique expertise.

B. No ability to foreclose

As with every other market, the Decision ignores the impact of Intel, claiming that Arm has "market power" that the Merged Entity could abuse.

Arm does not have market power in the markets for IP licensing for ADAS/autonomous driving or infotainment. Arm's market share in CPU IP in ADAS/autonomous driving and infotainment does not confer market power on Arm (volume, 2018–2020 period).

Similar considerations also hold true in relation to GPU IP and ISP IP. For completeness, the Parties note that in relation to GPU IP, NVIDIA's actual and potential competitors are not dependent on Arm GPU IP. These include, among others, Intel, AMD and Texas Instruments. Arm has GPU IP royalties in IoT, approx. USD Which accounted for 6% of Arm's total IoT royalties in FY 2019. As regards ISP IP, NVIDIA's actual and potential competitors do not depend on Arm's ISP IP, as many of them have ISP IP in-house capabilities. Arm has approx. USD Which accounted for 6% of Arm's total IoT royalties in FY 2019.

The Decision, para. 7.209.

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The Decision dismisses concrete market shares as understating "Arm's current and potential future strength", ⁶⁴ relying on testimonials from Arm customers. Arm customers may be satisfied with Arm's products and prices, but Arm is far from the only game in town: Intel/Mobileye has used MIPS and x86 for years, and robotaxi services (Waymo, Uber, etc.) have used Intel's x86. MIPS processors reportedly power more than 80% of ADAS-enabled cars today, ⁶⁵ with a total of 40 million cars on the road (in over 300+ car models).

In addition, Intel is targeting automotive with its IFS licensing program, emphasizing that it will "launch Intel Foundry Services Accelerator to help automotive chip designer's transition to advanced nodes" and that it will offer "both custom and industry-standard intellectual property (IP) to support the unique needs of automotive customers." ⁶⁶

The Decision dismisses RISC-V as a competitive threat to Arm for the next decade. But the Decision is contradicted by

The CMA cannot have it both

ways.

In truth, RISC-V is a strong competitive threat to Arm, and it is only picking up steam. ⁶⁷ RISC-V vendors are already seeing engagements in automotive and, in the years after the Transaction closes, RISC-V will gain more customers. SiFive is engaged in strategic partnerships targeting automotive, working with industry leader Renesas "to jointly develop next-generation, high-end RISC-V solutions for automotive applications. The partnership will also include SiFive licensing the use of their RISC-V core IP portfolio to Renesas." ⁶⁸ SiFive states that its CPU IP (including its next-generation microarchitecture, which SiFive states "is within reach of Arm's Cortex A78 and Intel's Rocket Lake family" ⁶⁹) is capable of addressing the requirements of ADAS SoCs.

In addition, Imagination Technologies recently announced its "development and launch of a RISC-V CPU family, which will cater to both the discrete CPU market as well as the heterogeneous computing landscape." This will further pave the way for RISC-V being used in automotive as a viable alternative to Arm CPU IP. A recent example of an

⁶⁴ The Decision, paras. 7.163 and 7.178.

⁶⁵ See Wave Computing Automotive Solutions, available at https://wavecomp.ai/automotive-solutions/.

Intel CEO Predicts Chips Will Be More than 20% of Premium Vehicle BOM by 2030, Intel (September 7, 2021), available at https://www.intel.com/content/www/us/en/newsroom/news/intel-mobileye-iaa-mobility.html#gs.dkzjiv.

See para. 627 of the Merger Notice for further details.

Renesas and SiFive Partner to Jointly-Develop Next-Generation High-End RISC-V Solutions for Automotive Applications, Renesas (April 21, 2021), available at https://www.renesas.com/eu/en/about/press-room/renesas-and-sifive-partner-jointly-develop-next-generation-high-end-risc-v-solutions-automotive.

SiFive Envisions 128-Core RISC-V SoCs as Gap With x86 and Arm Closes, Tom's Hardware (October 22, 2021), available at https://www.tomshardware.com/news/sifive-develops-ultra-high-performance-risc-v-core.

Imagination Technologies Enters the CPU Space With RISC-V Architecture, Tom's Hardware (August 25, 2021), available at: https://www.tomshardware.com/uk/news/imagination-technologies-risc-v-cpu.

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automotive SoC vendor announcing a RISC-V-based SoC for ADAS is Kneron (which is supported by Qualcomm and Alibaba) in November 2021 (for Levels 1-2).⁷¹

Nonetheless, the Decision ignores the competitive reality, arguing that Arm customers do not want to "switch" to the many alternatives. Again, the question is not whether customers *want* to switch. The question is whether customers *could* use other alternatives in the relevant timeframe, and whether those alternatives constrain Arm. (And NVIDIA has offered numerous assurances to try to ensure that customers do not feel any need to switch.)

Furthermore, if Arm had any "market power" in automotive, every economic theory holds that Arm would exercise it. Once again, the Decision fails to offer any explanation why, if Arm has market power in the automotive space, Arm fails to exercise it.

The record supports only one conclusion: while Arm customers are pleased with Arm's products and prices, the market is highly competitive, and Arm does *not* have market power.

C. No incentive to foreclose

Even if the Merged Entity *could* foreclose competition in automotive, it has no incentive to do so. The effort would be just as irrational as in datacenter, PC, Consoles, and IoT, and for the same reasons—the attempt could not possibly help NVIDIA's downstream sales for many years (if ever), would immediately destroy Arm's business, and harm NVIDIA's reputation and ability to work with others in the automotive ecosystem.

D. No SLC in ADAS or Infotainment

Competition in ADAS and Infotainment is strong and vibrant today, with multiple options and powerful competition from Intel/Mobileye, RISC-V, and Arm's architectural licensees.

Furthermore, to compete with Intel/Mobileye and RISC-V in the coming years, Arm will need an infusion of resources and technology, but as a standalone entity, Arm will have to make hard choices. It cannot invest and compete everywhere. Absent the Transaction, standalone Arm will not be able to grow and invest in datacenter, PC, IoT, and automotive—it will face great pressure to scale back investment, enhance profitability, and let the industry giants consolidate their power. By contrast, the Transaction will not result in a *lessening* of competition—it will promote and enhance competition in every market.

8. CONCLUSION

Deal opponents romanticize Arm's past and either ignore or disparage Arm's most powerful competition. But if Arm had market power, it would have sizable revenue growth and would be enormously profitable. If Arm alone could vanquish x86 in datacenter and PC, its market share would not be mired in the low single digits, and tomorrow's technologies—such as Omniverse—would be developed on Arm, not x86.

Kneron's CEO stated that this is "the first certified automobile-grade Kneron chip and is a steppingstone for the company to get more deeply into the automobile market" (see Kneron Unveils Its First RISC-V SoC Built for Autonomous, Assisted Driving, InterpriseAI (November 3, 2021), available at https://www.enterpriseai.news/2021/11/03/kneron-unveils-its-first-risc-v-soc-built-for-autonomous-assisted-driving/). Kneron's has already been the preferred supplier for several electric vehicles, including Toyota.

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Rejecting the prospect of any remedy, the Decision would not promote competition. Rather, it would prevent Arm from bringing competition into areas that have been long dominated by x86. The alternative outcome urged by deal opponents would result in a standalone, profit-maximizing business without any guarantees about licensing policy or investments. It would likely result in less investment in the UK, less resources for Arm, less innovation, and less competition worldwide.

Exhibit 111

Message

From: Will Abbey [Will.Abbey@arm.com]

Sent: 02/05/2023 23:04:25 **To**: joe.hur@samsung.com

Subject: Qualcomm Dispute – Protecting our Ecosystem

Importance: High

Dear Joe,

Arm is following up on its prior letter regarding Arm's lawsuit against Qualcomm, which Arm filed to protect Arm, the Arm ecosystem, and partners who rely on our intellectual property and innovative designs. The litigation remains pending, with trial set for September 2024, and Arm remains confident in the merits of its claims.

By way of reminder, Arm is seeking to enforce Qualcomm's "obligation to destroy and stop using the unlicensed Nuvia designs" because "Qualcomm cannot continue using Arm-based technology, including the Phoenix core, that Nuvia developed under its now-terminated Architecture License Agreement ("ALA") with Arm." Under the relevant agreement, the "Nuvia technology, including the Phoenix core, can no longer be used and must be destroyed." As Arm has noted, "Arm has no obligation to support Qualcomm's further attempts to continue developing unlicensed technology."

Arm's architecture, implementations and technology lead the industry as a result of decades of intensive investment. A company can only sell or use chips or designs that incorporate that technology if it has a valid license.

Arm is available to answer questions you might have regarding how the litigation might impact the availability of licensed Arm technology going forward. In the meantime, we again wanted to confirm that there will be no disruptions to your partnership with Arm so long as it is based on a valid license. You will continue to receive world-class products and support. Please do not hesitate to reach out if you have any questions.

Regards,

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Exhibit 112

Message

From: Rene Haas [Rene.Haas@arm.com]

Sent: 31/08/2022 18:55:45

To: malvin.kyung@samsung.com; yi33.park@samsung.com

CC: Saumil Shah [Saumil.Shah@arm.com]

Subject: Arm News
Attachments: Letter 2 Aug.pdf

Dear KH, Yong-in,

I want to personally inform you regarding some news you may hear about in the press soon. Today we have filed a lawsuit against Qualcomm and Nuvia for breach of contract and trademark infringement. As an intellectual property company, Arm must act to protect our rights and the rights of our ecosystem.

In connection with Qualcomm's acquisition of Nuvia, Qualcomm attempted to transfer Nuvia licenses without Arm's consent, which is a standard restriction under Arm's license agreements. Nuvia's licenses therefore terminated in March 2022. Before and after that date, Arm made multiple good faith efforts to seek a resolution. Whereas in contrast, Qualcomm has breached the terms of the Arm license agreement by continuing development under the terminated licenses.

Qualcomm has failed to comply with those provisions, as we told Qualcomm by letter dated August 2, 2022 (enclosed). As set forth in that letter, "after termination, Qualcomm is not authorized to make, use, sell, or import a product incorporating designs or derivatives of the Nuvia technology" and "any resulting products will not be protected by any existing license agreement." Despite this, Qualcomm continues to indicate publicly a plan to use the technology developed under the former Nuvia license.

Arm takes pride in our role as innovator of the world's most critical semiconductor IP and the billions of devices that run on Arm. These technological achievements have required years of research and significant costs, they must be recognized and respected. We will work vigorously to protect what is rightfully ours and we are confident that the courts will agree with us.

In the meantime, there will be no disruptions to your partnership with Arm and you can continue to expect world-class products and support. Please do not hesitate to reach out if you have any questions.

Regards,

Rene Haas

CEO

Arm